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Highway Traffic Toll 210

Figure Continues To Mount As Drivers Ignore Safety Rules In Holiday Rush

By The Associated Press

Traffic deaths added up at an astonishing high rate Saturday night. Safety officials feared an all-time record toll for any holiday period might be in the making at this Christmastide.

A total of 210 fatalities on the nation's highways and streets had been reported by 8 p. m. (CST). Twenty fire deaths and 21 from miscellaneous causes pushed the overall accident toll to 251.

The National Safety Council issued a statement saying deaths on the nation's streets and highways may set "an all-time high for any holiday in the nation's history."

Ned H. Dearborn, the council's president, said the killing "could end in a moment if drivers would show the real Christmas spirit behind the wheel." He added:

"We beseech every driver to put a stop to this senseless slaughter that is making a mockery of the very words, 'Merry Christmas,' in hundreds of homes."

The council has predicted that motor vehicle fatalities will number 560 in the holiday period that began at 6 p.m. Friday and will end at midnight Monday.

A council spokesman said the country Friday was proceeding "pretty much on schedule."

If it follows that "schedule" and the three-day total reaches the predicted 560, it will be a traffic death record of any holiday.

The traffic death record is 556. It was set during the four-day Christmas holiday period in 1952.

The loss of life in motor vehicle accidents during the current holiday period passed the 1955 Safe-Driving Day total in 16 hours. During the S-D effort to curb traffic deaths 69 deaths were reported in 24 hours. That was on Dec. 1.

The Associated Press, for purposes of comparison, made a survey of deaths during a recent non-holiday period — the three-day weekend of Dec. 9-12. Traffic deaths then numbered 364 in the 78-hour period that matches the counting period of the current holiday.

Travel was heavy Saturday and Friday. The weather varied widely. There was rain on the West Coast, areas of morning and evening fog in the central section and snow on the ground in many of the Northern states.

Says Ike Has Dropped Bond Financing Plan

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24—(AP)—Sen. Byrd (D-Va) said today the Eisenhower administration has abandoned its bond financing plan and will propose a pay-as-you-go inter-state highway program at the next session of Congress.

Byrd, who heads the Senate Finance Committee, fought President Eisenhower's proposal earlier this year for issuance of bonds by an independent agency to help finance a 38-billion-dollar, 10-year road building program.

The Virginia senator said in an interview that the administration's decision to reverse its course represents something of a Christmas present to the taxpayers.

"I am very glad they have abandoned the bond financing plan," he said. "That will save the taxpayers 11 billion dollars they would have had to pay in interest on the bonds.

Temperature At North Pole Is 40 Below

NORTH POLE Via Washington, D. C. Dec. 24—(AP)—It was 40 degrees below zero when Santa Claus got up today and jumped into his traveling clothes.

The authentic North Pole temperature was recorded by the U. S. Air Force and relayed from its arctic bases for the benefit of all children who were worrying about a thaw.

Forty degrees below is just right for reindeers and a sleigh.

When Santa reaches the U.S.A., he'll probably find snow in most of the Northern states. Down South, however, and in sections of the East the weather was milder.

The Weather

Slightly cooler but fair today, high in lower 50s. Low tonight around 35. Tomorrow continued mild.

The temperature one year ago today, high 65, low 33; two years ago, high 42, low 13; and three years ago, high 28, low 21, with a trace of moisture.

The temperature Saturday was 48 at 7 a.m. and 67 at 1 p.m.

Stage at Lage of the Ozarks Saturday missing.

Illinois Boy Finds Christmas Season Is Just a Nuisance

FAIRFIELD, Ill., Dec. 24—(AP)—The Christmas season is a big nuisance to 8-year-old Jeffrey Fleming of Fairfield. He is allergic to Christmas trees.

Let him get too close to one and he starts coughing and sneezing.

At home, his parents solved the problem by decorating a minature oil derrick.

But at school, where the other children insisted that a tree be set up in the class room, another solution was found.

Jeffrey and his desk were placed in the hall where he could study in comfort.

Car Accidents Injure Seven In This Area

Three Are Hurt Near Smithton and Four On North Highway 5

Three persons, of Kansas City, Kan., were injured, but not believed seriously, in a one-car accident on the south curve on Highway 50 just east of Smithton about 1:30 a.m. Saturday. A 1955 Pontiac station wagon was badly wrecked when it turned over.

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Injured were Mrs. John Fajan, 30, and her son, Larry Dale Fajan, 14, Mrs. Fajan suffered a cut on the left leg below the knee, bruises about her shoulders, left leg and nose, and her son suffered painful bruises on his left side and left hip.

Mrs. Fajan and her son were rushed to Bothwell Hospital in the Ewing ambulance where Dr. John B. Carlisle rendered medical treatment. They were admitted to the hospital for further observation.

The driver of the car, Ralph R. Albert, 35, brother of Mrs. Fajan, received a bruise on the left hip and left arm, and a laceration of the inside of the lower lip. He did not receive medical treatment at the hospital.

John Fajan, owner of the car, was not injured.

Albert reported to Sgt. E. W. Van Winkle of the State Highway Patrol, a car with bright lights coming from the opposite direction blinded him as he entered the curve. He left the pavement on the right side, as he went into the curve, swerved back across the pavement and went down the shoulder for 25 yards, skidded sideways and the car rolled over, landing on its left side.

Several hundred dollars damage resulted to the vehicle.

A parakeet which was in a cage was released when the cage was smashed. A passing motorist got the bird and later turned it over to Albert.

Mrs. Fajan's purse containing

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Pope Issues His Message For Christmas

VATICAN CITY (AP)—Pope Pius XII, in his annual Christmas message, called today for an international agreement to control atomic activities including experimental explosions. He also warned that colonial peoples must have political freedom.

The 79-year-old spiritual leader of more than 450 million Roman Catholics spoke from his golden throne. He wore white and gold vestments. His message was translated into 28 languages for broadcast by the Vatican City radio.

The Pontiff spoke in a firm voice to 16 assembled cardinals and other prelates. His delivery was in marked contrast to that of a year ago, when he was just convalescing from a grave illness and was able to give only a brief greeting to the world.

In the presence of the scarlet-robed cardinals and other high prelates who brought Christmas greetings, the Pope made these major points:

1. The Roman Catholic church rejects communism as a social system by virtue of Christ's doctrine.

2. An international agreement is necessary to control atomic experimental explosions, control the use of nuclear energy, and supervise atomic activities.

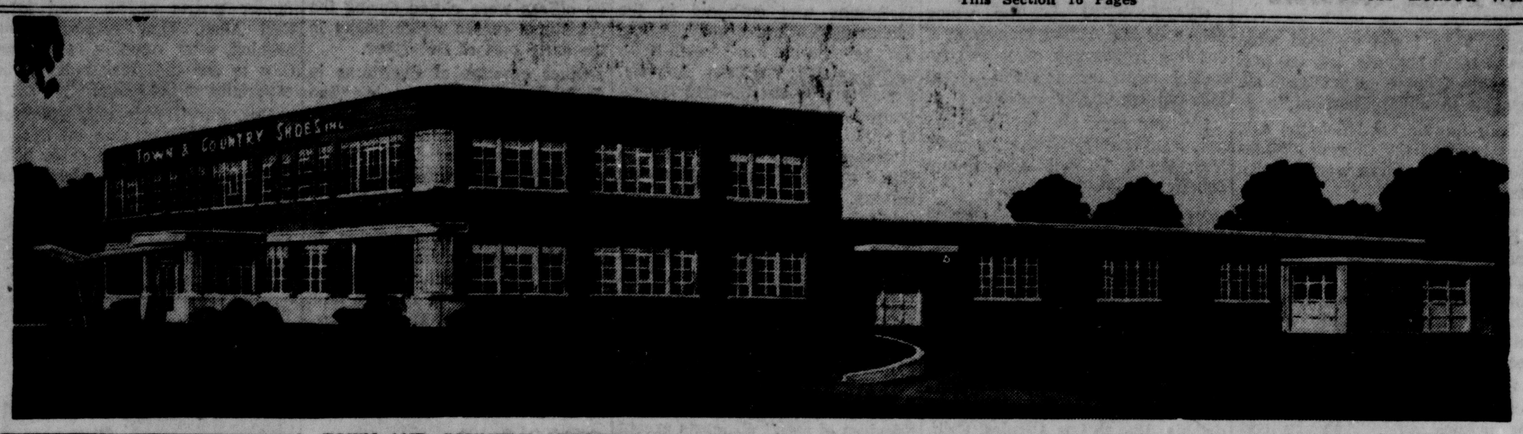
3. Multiplied experimental atomic explosions pose "very dangerous conditions for many living beings."

4. He warned that colonial peoples must not be denied political freedom.

Boeing Announces Huge New Airliner

SEATTLE, Dec. 24—(AP)—A huge new airliner with a range of more than 4,000 miles was announced today by the Boeing Airplane Co. and Pan American World Airways joined with Boeing in announcing the purchase of 12 of the 575-mile-per-hour jet transports.

The mammoth new transport, capable of carrying 145 passengers in the tourist versions, will be known as the Intercontinental.



TOWN AND COUNTRY ADDITION—This 10,000-square-foot addiiton on the west side of Town and Country's auxiliary in-stock and office building, 201 North Missouri, will permit transfer of present facilities so that production may be increased 500 pairs of shoes a day. Increased production in turn will mean a staff addition of approximately 95 people.

Seek to Meet Increased Demand for Its Product—

Town and Country Shoes Plans To Expand Sedalia Facilities

Town and Country Shoes is expanding Sedalia production facilities because of the steadily increasing demand for its product.

A new 10,000 square foot addition to the company's auxiliary in-stock and office building at 201 North Missouri has been designed by the Sedalia architectural firm of Schwartz and Sammons, and a contract will be let upon completion of plans and specifications to erect this addition. The new building will have extra deep and heavy foundations to support a second story when more space is again needed in the future.

Immediate overall plans are to transfer the company's office and upper leather department, which are now housed in the main factory at 110 North Missouri, to Town and Country's new and enlarged office and in-stock building pictured above. The space vacated by these departments in the factory will, in turn, be utilized to increase shoe production.

Sedalia shoe production will be stepped up from an average of 2,200 pairs to 2,700 pairs per day. Factory personnel will be increased by some 75 employees and office personnel will be increased by approximately 20 employees. Some 80 young men and women are presently employed in the Sedalia office of the company, which is headquarters for the entire Town and Country operation both here and abroad, whereas factory personnel totals 370. The total personnel of the Sedalia operation, which at present numbers 450, will thereby approimate 550 by this fall season, when full production is under way.

The payroll for the local factory in 1955 approximately $1,250,000 and it is contemplated that with the increase in personnel now planned the payroll will total $1,500,000 annually.

The continued growth of Town and Country Shoes has been steady and uninterrupted since its founding in Sedalia in 1943, when operations were first started in a modern 10,000 square foot factory building located on North Missouri Avenue. The new addition now being planned marks the fifth separate expansion that has been made by the company since then in Sedalia. Total manufacturing and office space will have reached some 56,000 square feet or an almost six-fold increase compared to the physical plant occupied 13 years ago when Town and Country first began operations here.

They Urge Policy of Delay—

Key Legislators Rule Out Early Tax Cutting Chances

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (AP) — Chances of early tax cutting by Congress after it returns Jan. 3 were all but ruled out today by key legislators of both political parties.

It was reported that President Eisenhower probably will omit detailed tax recommendations from his State of the Union message next month. He is expected to send them to Congress in a special message later in the year.

The betting still is that Congress will vote some kind of individual income tax reduction before it adjourns next summer. But influential members responsible for drafting tax laws advocate a policy of delay until the extent of government spending is more clearly seen.

If a tax cut bill is passed in 1956, Congress could make it effective on any date it deemed advisable, say on July 1, 1956, or Jan. 1, 1957.

Rep. Mills (D-Ark), a ranking member of the House Ways and Means Committee whose views generally reflect the thinking of Democratic leaders, said in an interview:

"I do not anticipate a concerted drive by Democrats in Congress early in the next session for any net reduction in tax revenues, and certainly not prior to a time when we can be more fully apprised of our own economic situation and the state of the world."

Acknowledging mounting election-year presures for tax cuts, Mills said he was "not going to close the door to the possibility of tax reduction by 1957."

But he also declared he would regard reductions in 1956 as "unwise," and not before steps are taken first to reduce the national debt.

Rep. Daniel A. Reed of New York, senior Republican on the tax-writing Ways and Means Committee, recommended a "wait and see" attitude on the part of Congress. He also foresaw a "strong possibility" of some reduction of individual income taxes.

As chairman of the Ways and Means Committee when Republicans controlled Congress in 1953 and 1954, Reed led a bitter and unsuccessful battle in the house for tax reduction opposed by the administration.

Mercury Reaches 84 In Oklahoma City

OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 24—(AP) The temperature reached 84 degrees at 3 p. m. today in Oklahoma City. The Weather Bureau said it was the highest temperature ever recorded here during the month of December. The previous high was 79.8 degrees Dec. 31, 1951.

New Storm Is Heading For Coast

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24—(AP)—A new storm headed today toward flood-stricken southern Oregon and northern California.

Deaths in the two states from drownings totaled 22, and damage was in uncounted millions.

California's death toll was 17; Oregon's 5, and 2 were missing in Oregon. Thousands of persons were homeless.

The Red Cross reported that more than 55,000 flood refugees had been taken into 55 Red Cross shelters in northern California.

The federal government, through President Eisenhower, took steps to aid the stricken areas with financial and other aid.

The weather situation eased somewhat today and angry rivers receded somewhat.

But the weather forecast was for another heavier rain spell in southern Oregon. This could worsen Oregon's flood situation which had eased somewhat.

In California flood waters drove residents from four more cities—Yuba City, Sutter City, Stockton and Alvardo.

The Feather River smashed a levee at Yuba City early today and the city's 8,000 residents were evacuated—many by helicopter.

The break eased the pressure and Yuba's neighbor city of Marysville very likely was saved from being flooded as the waters poured into the countryside.

Yuba City presented a strange sight. The sun came out brightly and fleecy clouds dotted the sky.

But the entire city—except a block in the northeast corner—was under many feet of water.

Doors of stores were swung open by the waves. Christmas toys, groceries and merchandise floated away.

A helicopter beat its blades in the sunshine as its pilot worked steadily in removing persons perched on roofs of submerged homes.

The Yuba and Feather Rivers, which caused the damage, were dropping rapidly. But if more rain should fall as—as forecast—the situation would darken again.

Yuletide Setting Is Tense

Fear-Beset World Pauses to Observe This Day Dedicated To Peace on Earth

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Around a world beset by fears of conflict, Christians reverently commemorated today the birth of Jesus Christ and offered prayers for guidance by the Prince of Peace to bring good will to all men.

In stately mansions and homes of the poor, the spirit of Christmas brought joy to the rich and the needy, to the well and sick. At home and abroad few were forgotten on this day of homage. Many peoples of other faiths joined in respecting the Christians' Holy day.

Devout pilgrims crossed from Israel into Jordan and followed the path of Joseph and Mary to the little town of Bethlehem to hear the midnight bells and sing hymns in St. Catherine's church adjoining the Church of the Nativity.

At Jerusalem a huge sign in English — "Merry Christmas" — marked the Holy City's armistice frontier between Israel and Jordan. Israeli and Jordan policemen mounted guard at the Mandelbaum Gate, but today there was outward peace.

While American soldiers manned the armistice line in cold, faroff Korea, Pope Pius XII, making his 17th consecutive Christmas Eve appeal for good will among all men, called in a broadcast for international agreement simultaneously renouncing experiments with atomic weapons and their use, and controlling all armaments. He also urged that colonial peoples not be denied their freedom.

In tree-lighted homes from the arctic north to sunny southern climes, families gathered to exchange presents, sing carols and feast on Christmas goodies. Church and relief organizations saw to it that the unfortunate received some blessings.

The White House was a merry scene. President and Mrs. Eisenhower invited 16 family guests to share their joy and the presidential house rang with carols sung by their grandchildren.

Across the Atlantic, Queen Elizabeth II was with her family at Sandringham, her 7,000-acre country estate in Norfolk. The royal Christmas tree was gaily decorated and surrounded by presents. Today the Queen arranged to make her customary broadcast to the commonwealth and empire.

For American GI's abroad the day brought a climax to their happiest assignment — "Operation Cheer"—the giving of parties, clothing, toys and candy to children. In Germany, where the bulk of the 300,000 U.S. servicemen on the Continent are located, the Army estimated 70,000 children were entertained at pre-Christmas festivities.

Car in Which Adlai's Son Was Hurt Figured In Ohio Speed Case

MONTPELIER, Ohio, Dec. 24—(AP)—The automobile in which Adlai Stevenson's son, John, was injured and two companions killed in Indiana last Wednesday figured in a speeding case in Ohio shortly before the accident, the Ohio Highway Patrol disclosed today.

Patrolman M. E. Lafferty said he had charged James Gilligan, 20, of Nebraska City, Neb., with speeding on the Ohio Turnpike at 5:30 a. m. Wednesday. The youth was fined $10 and costs in mayor's court here.

The fatal accident took place a few hours later in Middlebury, Ind., when John Fell Stevenson's car was boxed in by trucks and collided headon with one of them. Young Stevenson suffered a fractured jaw and other injuries.

Killed in the crash were William S. North, 19, of Lake Forest, Ill., and William C. Boyden, 19, of Chicago. Gilligan, who was driving the car when the Ohio arrest was made, was in the back seat alone at the time of the Indiana accident, and suffered only bruises.

INSIDE STORIES

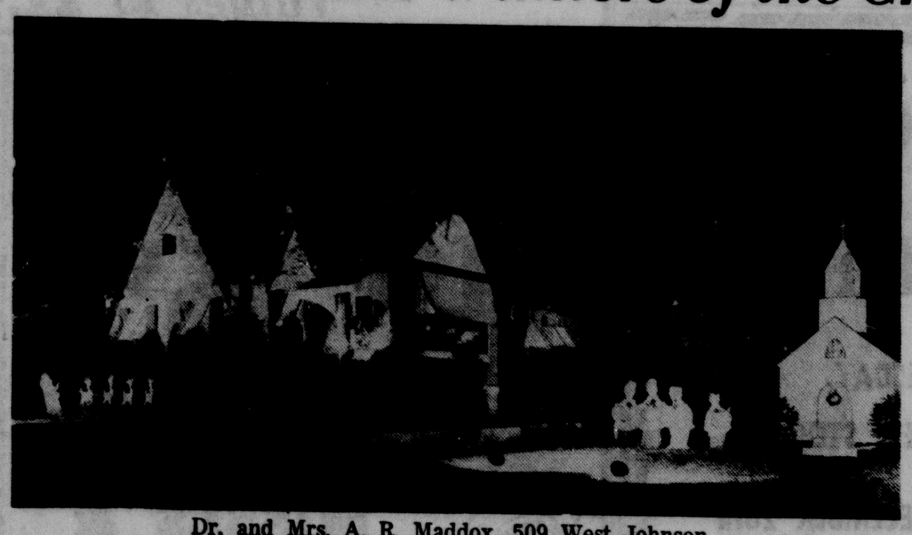
We wish you a Merry Christmas and hope you will enjoy our Christmas Day edition.

The Louis Fullertons have established a reputation for an outstanding Christmas lighting display. Pictures and the story behind their success are presented on Pages 1 and 3 of Section 2.

Original Christmas stories by the news staff will be found in both Sections 1 and 2.

Society news will be found on Pages 4 and 5 of Section 2.

These Are the Winners of the Christmas Home Lighting Contest



Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Maddox, 509 West Johnson,
First prize, outdoors

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sitton, 1100 South Murray,
Third prize, outdoors.

William C. Rayl, 1413 South Prospect,
First prize, indoors.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Handley, Jr., 1010 West Sixth,
Second prize, outdoors.

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They Stay of Own Choice—

Woman Journalist Interviews Turncoats Inside Red China

Editor's Note—Lois Mitchison is a 29-year-old British newspaper reporter and daughter of a Laborite member of Parliament. The Chinese Communists gave her permission to spend two months in Red China as a journalist. Her observations, related below for The Associated Press, were mailed to Hong Kong from Peiping.

By LOIS MITCHISON

PEIPING, China (AP) —I have spent an afternoon and two evenings with seven of the United Nations ex-POWs — six of them Americans — who chose to stay in Red China. They expect to return to their homes "sometime."

I had long talks with John R. Dunn, Baltimore; Andrew Fortune, Ionia, Mich.; Scott L. Rush, Marietta, Ohio; Samuel D. Hawkins, Oklahoma City; Clarence C. Adams, Memphis, Tenn.; Lawrence V. Sullivan, Omaha, Neb.; and Andrew Condron, Bathgate, Scotland, the only Briton among the voluntary expatriates.

Adams and Sullivan are Negroes.

"I'm looking forward to going back," Sullivan said, "but I'm waiting until conditions are ripe. I want to be a good revolutionary . . . able to serve those people in America, white as well as Negro, I have seen experiencing bitterness."

"I'm going back when I'm sure no men in leather jackets are going to beat me up," Rush said.

Condron, the Briton, said that since "there's a lot of ignorance in the world and ignorance makes wars," he wants to stay in China long enough to learn something about the country.

Why did these prisoners choose to stay in China? They gave different reasons.

Hawkins said he had joined the Army at 15, "more or less by accident. I had a quarrel with my sister over my automobile." He continued:

"Well, in Korea I'd heard all those stories about cruelty, about the way Chinese treated their prisoners. Then I was wounded when I was taken prisoner, and the first thing the Chinese did was take me straight to a base hospital."

Both Hawkins and Condron said they believed the Chinese charges the Americans were waging germ warfare.

"A large bomb was found in our camp," Hawkins said. "It was the prisoners who found it, not the guards. The insects inside the bombs had been mashed a bit and couldn't escape, so there were a lot of them lying around for us to see."

Rush said he had signed "peace petition after peace petition" in the prison camp. Then, he continued, after the "Little Switch" exchange of sick and wounded prisoners, he received this version of how the petition signers were treated:

"They were summoned by Sen. (Joseph R.: McCarty (R-Wis) and the un-American committee. I just wanted peace, and I didn't want to be persecuted. So, naturally, I stayed."

(Only U.S. military authorities questioned returned prisoners. They did not appear before the Senate Investigations subcommittee or the House Committee on Un-American Activities.)

Sullivan and Adams said they had stayed in China because "Negroes were oppressed in America for economic reasons." Sullivan and Dunn referred to lynchings and the Ku Klux Klan in the South.

The ex-prisoners insisted they were not members of the Communist party but said they were sympathetic with its philosophy.

"I haven't got the qualifications for a Communist party member," Sullivan said, "but I'm working toward the qualifications. It's a glorious thing to be a member."

Fortune, recalling a lack of food at his home in his childhood and breadlines in the streets at Detroit, said he puzzled in camp over what "caused all that."

"Marxist philosophy solved my basic problems," he declared.

None of the former POWs are married or engaged. Fortune said they were "playing the field." Hawkins' friends said he has dates with an English-speaking Russian girl.

The seven ex-prisoners I met are studying "chinese and world history" at the People's University in Peiping. Four others were reported there: Harold H. Webb, Fort Pierce, Fla.; Morris R. Wills, Fort Ann, N.Y.; Richard G. Corden, East Providence, R.I.; and William C. White, Plummerville, Ark.

The other six American ex-GIs still in China — four have returned home and one died in this country —work at a paper factory at Tsinan, 230 miles south of Peiping.

Employed as lathe operators or general workers are Lowell D. Skinner, Akron, Ohio; James G. Veneris, Hawthorne, Calif.; Aaron P. Wilson, Urania, La.; and Arlie H. Pate, Carbondale, Ill.

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Carolers Sang Wednesday At Clarksburg

By Mrs. Myrtle Yarnell

CLARKSBURG — The young people of the Baptist church went caroling Wednesday night and returned later for a social period followed by prayer services.

Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Hahn and son, Kansas City, visited her aunt, Mrs. C. D. Yarnell and family Sunday aftrenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Martin and family were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dritt Cain in Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Simmers spent the weekend in Kansas City visiting Mr. and Mrs. Alono Jobe and son and Miss Margaret Jobe.

Dewey Yarnell, Jr., spent the weekend here enroute from Philadelphia, Pa., to Los Angeles, Calif.

Airman Harry Lewis Harris arrived Saturday from Teas for a Christmas visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harris and others here.

Mrs. Stella Milligan had 18 of her family with her for dinner Sunday. They were her children and grandchildren.

Mrs. Ona Ruppert is improving slowly from her illness. Mr. and Mrs. Warren Harris are staying with her. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Vouk will come from Little Rock, Ark., and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Roll from Kansas City to spend Christmas with Mrs. Ruppert.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Blankenship have named their son Ronnie Ray. They now have three sons.

Mrs. O. W. Raithel was a dinner guest Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Raithel, Jefferson City.

Mrs. Tandy William underwent examinations and tests in Jefferson City last week.

Regional Library Notes—

Christmas Was Outlawed In Earlier Days of History

Christmas has not always been the holiday that it is today. In fact, Christmas was outlawed in the earlier days of our history. During the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries the Puritans, Baptists, Presbyterians and Quakers strongly opposed the religious observance of Christmas and in 1659 the colony of Massachusetts enacted a law to fine "anybody who is found observing, by abstinence from labor, feasting, or any other way, any such days as Christmas days, shall pay for such offense five shillings."

As early as 1620 the New England Puritans showed their hostile attitude toward Christmas by working at the erection of their first building in what has been called a "studied neglect" of the day.

The strict Puritans regardeds as "devices of men" all feasts except the Sabbath, the liturgy with its required prayers, the scripture readings and the use of the church vestments. In 1681 the law against Christmas was repealed but the feeling of the Puritans against the holiday continued for nearly a hundred years.

The members of the Church of England, the Dutch Reformed, Lutheran and Roman Catholic churches as well as the German sects, continued to follow their own Christmas customs. The Episcopalians held morning church services and enjoyed the season with liberal eating, drinking, visiting and parties.

In New York the Dutch settlers celebrated St. Nicholas (or Sinterklass) day on Dec. 6 but the gradual dominance of the English settlers changed their custom to the midwinter festival of Dec. 25. At any rate, they had an extended holiday period which was both religious and secular in nature. Public offices were closed during the Christmas season which began in the early part of December.

Other customs of Christmas in America will be found in "The American Christmas" by James H. Barnett. Other books tell about Christmas in other lands. These and other titles are available from your Boonslick Regional Library.

Since most schools will be closed, the Fourth Monday, December 26 run which was previously scheduled for December 23, will be made on January 4 at the regular time of day. Other stops are: Tuesday, December 27: LaMonte downtown, 2:45-3:30; Horace Breshears, 3:45-4:15.

CMSC Students Pledge Sororities

Sixty-eight women students have pledged to five social sororities at Central Missouri State College at Warrensburg. These women from the Sedalia area are: Pi Kappa Sigma, Sue Green, Hughesville, and Kay Moore of Versailles; Sigma Sigma Sigma, Hancy Hobson, Calhoun, Clo Greer and Lucille Kirby, Sedalia, and Delores Harlan, California; Theta Sigma Upsilon, Patricia Cassing, Sedalia; and Delta Sigma Epsilon, Carolyn Napier and Janet Ragar, Sedalia.

Mrs. Hulda Duvall To Illinois For Winter

By Mrs. M. R. Gillespie

BLACKWATER—Mr. and Mrs. Bud Corbin and four daughters accompanied Miss Shirley Miller and Martin Carignan, Boonville, to Munice, Kan. Sunday and were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Allen. They returned that evening, after stopping in Kansas City to see the Christmas lights especially on the Plaza.

Mrs. Mary Harris, field agent for Gulf Park College, Gulfport, Miss., came last week to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Anna Marshall.

Mrs. Hulda Duvall went to Winchester, Ill., last week and plans to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Paul Lehman, and Mr. Lehman, also with her granddaughter, Mrs. Al Herring, Mr. Herring, and children.

Mrs. W. C. Shaw left Thursday to spend the holidays with her son, CDR J. M. Stephens, U.S.A., Great Lakes, Ill., Mrs. Stephens, and their son, Phillip.

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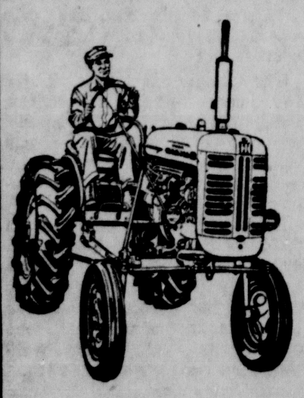
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Reporter Describes Practice Alert at WAFB on Thursday

On Thursday morning word came to the news room of The Democrat that a wreck had occurred on Highway 50 east of Knob Noster. Reporter D. Kelly Scruton went to the scene and later inquired at the base hospital about one of the injured men taken there for emergency treatment. Before he could leave the base was placed on a practice alert and Scruton was forced to wait for some time before being cleared to leave. He wrote about some of the impressions he gained while observing the alert, refraining from security violations, of course, and th efollowing is his story.

By D. KELLY SCRUTON

"Whoooeee-Whoooeee-Whoooeee" went sirens over the Whiteman Air Force Base. Officers and men started dashing here and there. It was an alert. Of course, it was a practice session, but it was realistic as far as some civilians were concerned.

Everything was moving along nicely around the offices, the hangars, the shops, barracks. Men were going about their duties in an orderly fashion, their minds far off from having an alert being called.

Then suddenly "Whoooeee-Whoooeee-Whoooeee!" went the sounds of the sirens at various points of the base. The lad who was just leisurely walking from one building to another struck out on a dead run. Officers who were conferring on other matters dropped them and each began hurrying to his post assignment in case of an emergency.

I noted two young fellows who were heading, apparently for their barracks, carrying a Christmas tree. When the sirens began wailing, the smaller of the two took a tight hold on the tree and started running for his supply room. Later he was seen hurrying along with a rifle slung over his shoulder and his gas mask and gadget bag in one hand, but still hanging on to his tree. No doubt he dropped it off at the barracks to be decorated at a more opportune time. At the moment, he had other duties to look after and to see that he wasn't one holding back a good record for his outfit.

Of course, there were some civilians on the base who "just had to leave," but it seems security doesn't worry about individuals and their problems. The problem is to see that everything is clicking and working to perfection.

Taking no chances, security had the civilians detained at the exits and they were not permitted to leave the base for a time. Civilians who had business on the base and were outside were not permitted to enter. But the Air Force personnel which started out were turned around and sent back to their assignments.

Alerts have been known to last from a few hours to several days. Civilians most generally are released since it is a peace time practice operation, but the military is kept intact.

Some who were held up were beginning to wonder if they would be spending Christmas with the men of the Whiteman Air Force Base, but later they were released and went on their merry way.

On the way to Sedalia many cars were noted speeding westward toward WAFB with Air personnel who had been notified by telephone an alert was on.

Although there isn't a war on, the Air Force pulls these alerts every once in awhile just to keep the men sharp as to their duties in case of an emergency, be it a practice for simulated bomb attack, storm alert or evacuation.

But it is almost for certain those who can will be able to be with their families on Christmas, and those who are retained at the base over Christmas most likely will get to enjoy the arrival of the New Year with their families and friends.

One thing for sure, there are several civilians who were detained Thursday during the alert and believed they might be held up until after Christmas, probably will give the base a wide berth until after the holidays. They aren't taking any chances.

From a civilian's standpoint, the alert Thursday was a success. It appeared to go off smoothly, quickly and efficiently.

Fatalities on scheduled U.S. commercial air liners are less than one per 100 million miles of flight.

Larry Stone's Arm Fractured by Car Door

By Miss Mary E. Tevebaugh

HOUSTONIA — Mr. and Mrs. John Rissler left Tuesday to spend the holidays with their son Gordon and family in Greeley, Colo.

Mrs. Nathan Harris went to Kansas City Wednesday with Lawrence Harris. Mrs. Harris will visit her children over the holidays. Mr. Harris has been visiting his mother, Mrs. John Harris.

Larry Stone, 2-year-old grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Lon Stone had his arm broken Sunday Dec. 11 when a car door was shut on it.

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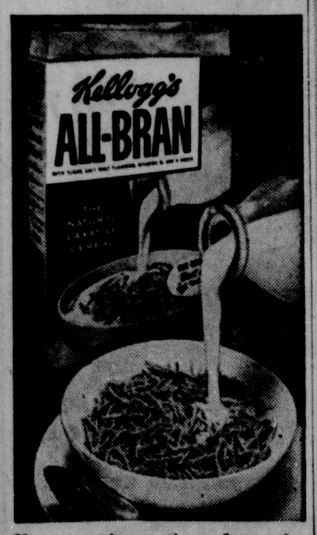

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Schmidts Hold 'Open House' For Church

By Mrs. Henry T. Junge

COLE CAMP — The Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Schmidt had open house Sunday afternoon in honor of the congregation, members, and friends of the United Lutheran Church.

Wayne Eckhoff, Kansas City, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Eckhoff.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Bockelman and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Oelrich and son visited Sunday in Independence with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Howard.

Mrs. J. A. Lumpee was a patient a few days in a Kansas City hospital for checkup.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiney Nottmeier and daughter, Center, spent the weekend with Mrs. Martha Boerger.

A contributive supper was enjoyed Sunday evening by Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Burns and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Parks in honor of C. L. Parks' birthday.

Ervin Schnell, Chicago, spent the weekend with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Schnell and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Metzner and family, Sedalia, visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Tucker.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Meinert and son, Brookfield, visited over the weekend with Mrs. William Meinert who was celebrating her birthday.

Miss Alvina Muller has returned after receiving medical treatment at the Unievrsity Hospital in Columbia.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Hunter, Chicago, are visiting with Mrs. Hunter's mother, Mrs. Sena Brands and other relatives.

Bob Muller, Kansas City, spent from Friday night to Saturday noon with his mother, Mrs. Stella Muller.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Riecke and children, Kansas City, were weekend visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Eckhoff.

An average-sized banana, when sliced or diced, will fill a cup or, if mashed, it will make about half a cup of pulp.

Navy Doesn't Know How to Ship Jets

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The Navy is having its share of trouble finding a way to transport 21 underpowered jet airplanes south for training purposes.

The planes, motors of which lacked sufficient power to get them airborne, are destined for naval stations in Memphis and Pensacola, Fla., for ground research and instruction.

Highway underpasses posed the first problem for the planes on the way to the Missouri River for shipment on barges. A Navy spokesman said yesterday a "problem in physics" has arisen because of possible icing conditions on the bottom souri.

The planes are still waiting at McDonnell Aircraft Corp.

Favorite Son Vote

KANSAS CITY (AP) — Sen. Stuart Symington should get a favorite son vote from the Missouri delegation at the Democratic convention in Chicago, a Jackson County leader said yesterday.

Bill Sermon, head of the Eastern Jackson County Democratic organization, said he would work for that goal.

"I think the state owes him that courtesy," Sermon said.

Political leaders here and in St. Louis believe that Symington would be in a position to bid for the presidential nomination if a deadlock develops among Sen. Estes Kefauver, Gov. Averell Harriman and Adlai Stevenson.

Merry Christmas, All!

ACROSS

1 Tonight is Christmas —
4 Your newspaper wishes you a — Christmas
9 Fill the — bowl
12 Weight of India
13 Weird
14 Mrs. — Johnson
15 The — preserve ye
17 Raindrops on the window
19 Girl's name
20 Erects
21 This is not a time to —
23 Girl's name
24 Dairy product
27 Venerate
31 Color of Santa's suit
32 Ventilate
34 Cereal grain
35 Anger
36 King (Fr.)
37 Observe
38 Continued story
41 Take into custody
44 Arid
45 Southern general
46 Revoke, as a legacy
49 Hazard
53 Sell in small quantities
55 Genteel
56 Hostelry
57 Avid
60 Low haunt
60 Meadow
61 Pastime
62 Before

DOWN

1 Essential being
2 Calf meat
3 Goddess of discord
4 Measuring devices
5 Eyes (Scot.)
6 Railroad (ab.)
7 Tear
8 Pines
9 Observe (Latin)
10 Employer
11 Sailors
16 Finical
18 Canvas shelter
22 Annually
23 Antenna
24 Malayan dagger
25 At this place
26 German river
28 Gaelic
29 Organs of sight
30 Encounter
33 Butterfly
39 Notion
40 Armed forces
42 Account
43 Stagger
46 Seed covering
47 Low sand hill
48 Volcano in Sicily
49 Be borne
51 Roman road
52 Smooth
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55 Through
58 Depart

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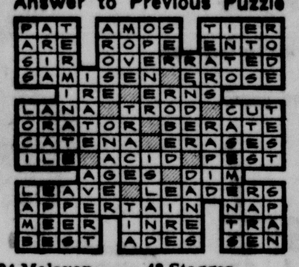

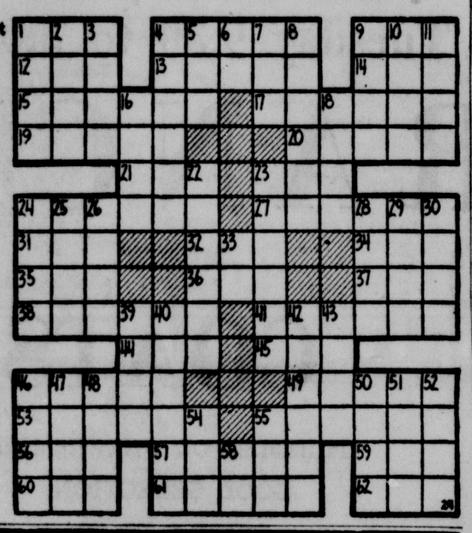

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2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
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Miss Mary MacDonald, with a master's degree from Hunter College where she used to teach, does stress calculation operations on piping systems, determining what forces and stresses will have to be handled by systems carrying hot, radioactive fluids.

Miss Marilyn Alfieri, from Connecticut College just across the Thames River in New London, does what the shipyard calls "programming" work, preparing problems to be fed into electronic calculators.

Miss Marjorie Liberman, fresh out of college last June, does analytical work in the chemistry laboratory, testing metals to be used in ship construction and radioactive materials from atomic propulsion plants.

Traffic Survey Takes Another Step Forward

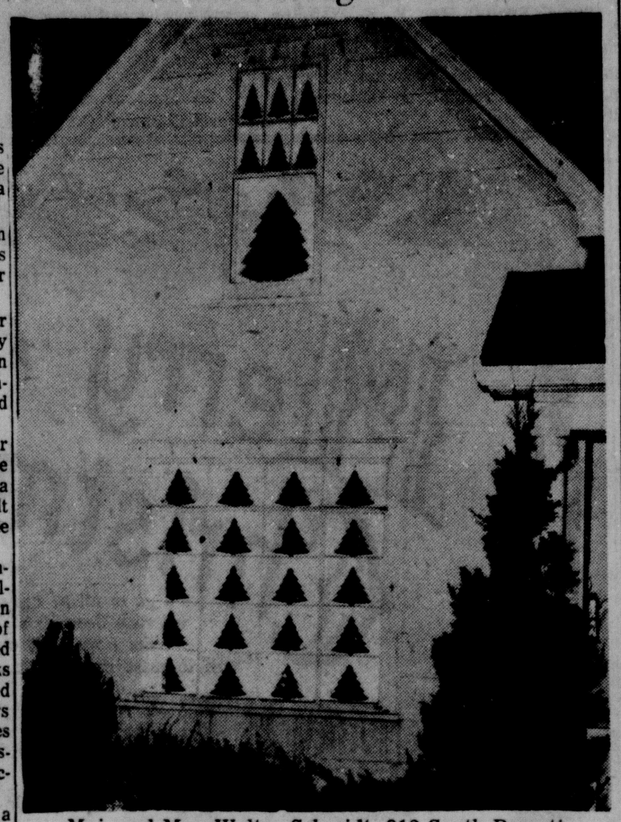
ST. LOUIS (AP) — Plans for a comprehensive traffic survey of St. Louis took another step forward yesterday.

The traffic committee of the Board of Aldermen agreed to follow recommendations of such a survey by outside experts as requested by Mayor Raymond R. Tucker.

The committee also said it would recommend "adoption of this view" by the full board. Mayor Tucker and Frank Kriz, director of streets and sewers, had endorsed the survey providing there was "definite assurance" from the board that recommendations would be carried out.

Mayor Tucker said he will confer with Kriz and that private traffic engineers will be asked to come here to consult with city officials about a survey.

Other Christmas Light Winners



Maj. and Mrs. Walter Schmidt, 912 South Barrett, Second prize, indoors.

Mrs. L. B. Herfurth, 1912 East Ninth, Third prize, indoors.

Beacon Lights Class Has Christmas Party

The Beacon Lights Sunday School Class of the LaMonte Methodist Church, gave a Christmas party Thursday night Dec. 8, in the church basement, with Mr. and Mrs. Perry Reed as hosts. A contributed potluck supper was served, after which there was an exchange of gifts.

Members brought non-perishable gifts for families which had been chosen at a previous meeting.

Some time was spent in making door wreaths of spruce, cedar and pine cones and holly growing in the Reed yard. To date, Mrs. Reed says she has shared her holly with 57 families for their Christmas decorations.

The story of Cinderella goes back at least to the year B. C. 610, in the legend of the Egyptian pharaoh Psammetichus. He ordered the country searched for the owner of a leather sandal, dropped at his feet by an eagle, and made her his queen when he found her.

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$12.95 Values
women's corduroy suits
$9.
Only fourteen to go at these reduced prices . . . several styles . . . good colors.
Fashion Floor

Missouri Pacific Clubs Hold Christmas Party

The Sedalia Missouri Pacific Women's Club and the Sedalia Missouri Pacific Men's Booster Club, held a Christmas party on Monday evening, Dec. 19, at the Smith - Cotton Little Theatre at which their families and a few friends were special guests.

Under the decorated Christmas tree were many gifts wrapped in bright paper and tied with ribbon bows. The gifts were distributed by Santa Claus who also gave each one some candy and fruit.

The chaplain, Mrs. W. F. White, gave an inspiring message and prayer.

Mrs. Herbert Shephard played the piano for the group singing of Christmas carols ending with the beautiful song, "Silent Night."

Mrs. Ernest Liebel, program chairman, led the singing, an then with her co-chairman, Mrs. George Chambers, presented some Christmas slides. The picture shown was "When the Littlest Camel Knelt." Mrs. F. F. White read the Scripture and Mrs. Liebel gave the history as the slides were shown. She also read the story, "I Heard the Bells on Chrismtas Day."

The refreshment committee, Mrs. W. F. White and Mrs. M. H. Shelby, served cookies and coffee from a very pretty decorated table which carried out the Christmas mot

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An arch is kept from falling by the keystone, the middle stone at the arch's crown, holding the other pieces in place.

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TO ALL!
May the spirit of Christmas be with you this Holiday!
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WELCOME INN
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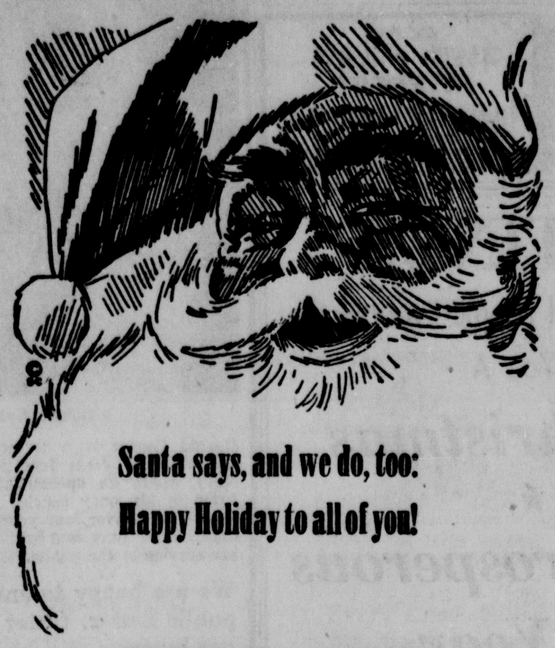
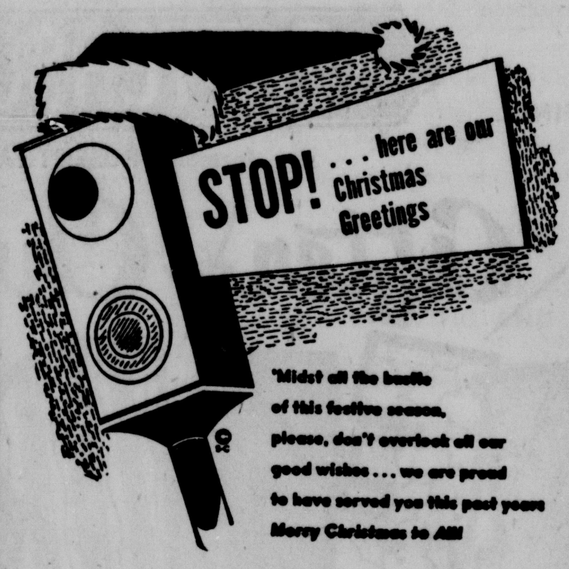

Santa says, and we do, too:
Happy Holiday to all of you!
OLEN E. DOWNS
AUCTIONEER
Sedalia, Missouri

NOEL
May all the happiness of this joyous season bless your home and all who enter it at Christmas!
MAXINE'S
Maternity & Tot Shop
Maxine, Rudy and Pat

Merry Christmas
. . . to all of our many friends we wish Season's Greetings, with the hope that our friendship will increase during the coming year.
FAIRWAY Furniture & Gifts
HENRY PETERSCHMIDT MINERVA PETERSCHMIDT
ODELL HILBURN DOROTHY HILBURN

Our very best wishes to all for a Merry, merry Christmas . . .
HOUSE OF REMNANTS
"Pat" Orth
Shirley Brosch
Alma Brauer

U. L. PARKS
Cities Service Station
Junction 50 & 65 Hiways



'Midst all the hustle of this festive season, please, don't overlook all our good wishes . . . we are proud to have served you this past years
Merry Christmas to All!
Frank and Meta Brosch and Employees
THE BUNGALOW
114 East Third St. Sedalia, Mo.

Wishing you a Christmas bright with holly, joy, friendship and cheer to last you throughout the coming New Year!
Stevenson - Lewis Tractor Co.
Ford Tractor Sales and Service
Main and Lamine Phone 423

TO ALL OF YOU!
We will endeavor to uphold, and strive to improve, our services to our many customers with the fondest wish for a Happy New Year!
Old Missouri Homestead
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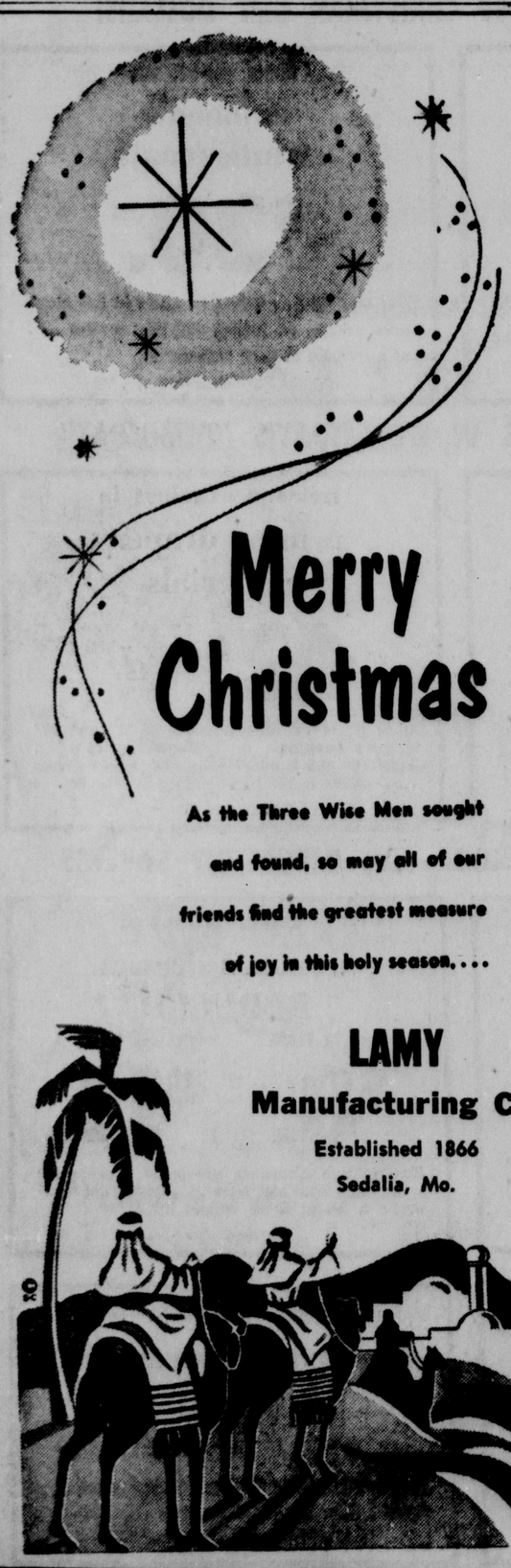
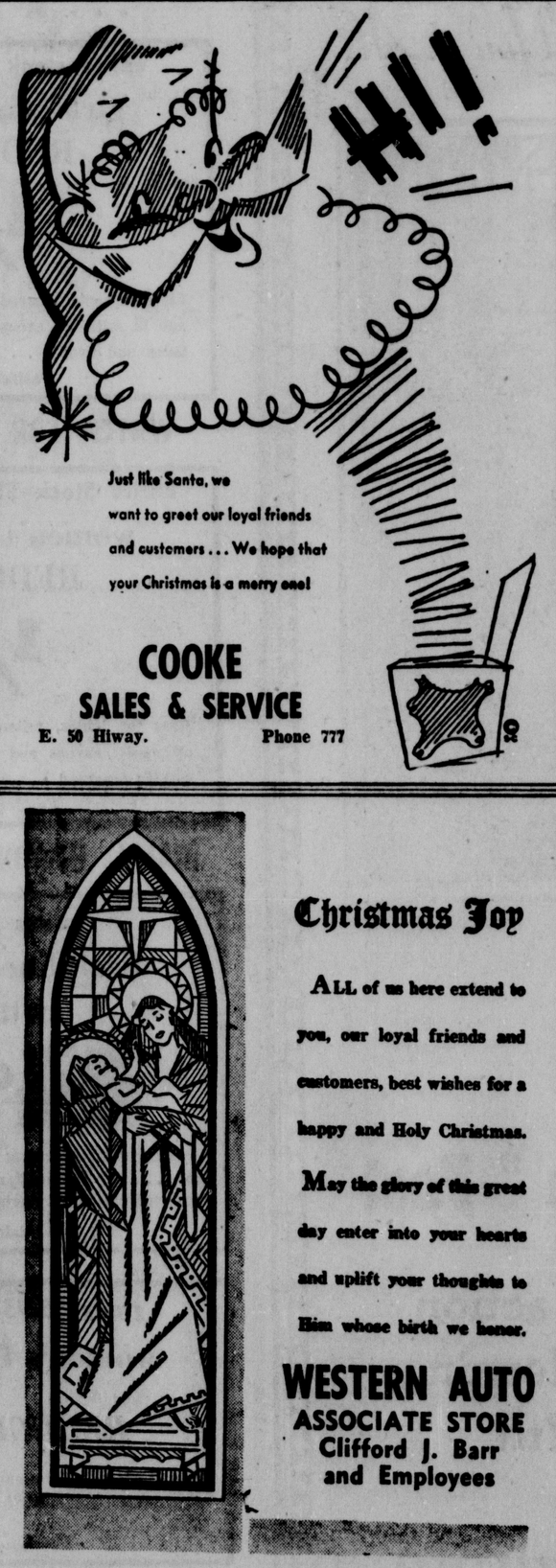

Merry Christmas
As the Three Wise Men sought and found, so may all of our friends find the greatest measure of joy in this holy season. . . .
LAMY Manufacturing Co.
Established 1866
Sedalia, Mo.

With every good wish for your happiness and contentment on this Holiday Season.
VERNON WHARTON
SEDALIA SHEET METAL SHOP
1021 So. Harrison



Just like Santa, we want to greet our loyal friends and customers . . . We hope that your Christmas is a merry one!
COOKE SALES & SERVICE
E. 50 Hiway. Phone 777

We're pulling in on the Holiday Main Line with a load of old fashioned greetings to say "Thanks, Friends!" for your past patronage, and to hope you'll have
A GAY AND HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

A Happy Christmas
May your days be bright with the joys of the Yuletide Season.
May every good thing be yours during the coming New Year!
Mrs. Harry Fowler
"Dutch" Dean
FOWLER INSURANCE AGENCY
218 South Lamine St.

Christmas Joy
ALL of us here extend to you, our loyal friends and customers, best wishes for a happy and Holy Christmas.
May the glory of this great day enter into your hearts and uplift your thoughts to Him whose birth we honor.
WESTERN AUTO ASSOCIATE STORE
Clifford J. Barr and Employees

OUR DONUT SHOP
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Starts Tuesday Morning at 9 O'Clock! **Extra Salespeople To Help You!**

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Pre-Inventory Sale!

ALL WINTER MERCHANDISE TO CLEAR!

Major Savings! Nationally Advertised Lines! These and Many Other Items!

Pre-Inventory Sale!
100% Wool

Suits

VALUES TO $69.98

Group One	$24.98
Group Two	$34.98
Group Three	$44.98

Out they go! All of our nationally famous lines are included in these sensationally priced pre-inventory sale groups. If you've waited to purchase your suit, you're in luck. All styles in blue, grey, wine, green, red and novelties.

Pre-Inventory Sale!
100% Wool

Coats

Shop Early for Best Selection!

Values to $39.98, now	$19.98
Values to $49.98, now	$29.98
Values to $59.98, now	$34.98

A wide selection of long and short styles—every coat, including all of our nationally famous lines. Save on your selection this week. Fleeces, ka-ma-curl, camels hair and cashmere. Some have miracle millium lining. A wide selection of styles, sizes and colors.

Pre-Inventory Sale!

Dresses

VALUES TO $37.50

Group One	$4.98
Group Two	$6.98
Group Three	$8.98
Group Four	$12.98
Group Five	$16.98

Every winter dress in our stock has been sharply reduced for this annual Pre-Inventory event. You'll find all of those nationally famous labels you love so well at only fractional prices. All types and styles in crepe, wool jersey, taffeta, wool plaid, nylon, gabardine, faille and cotton. Junior, regular and half sizes.

Pre-Inventory SALE!
FORMALS
One selected group of latest fashion formals now—
1/2 PRICE

Pre-Inventory SALE!
SKIRTS
All colors. Rayon, wool, acrilon, orlon, gabardine and taffeta.

$14.98 Values, now	$8.98
$10.98 Values, now	$7.98
$8.98 Values, now	$6.98
$5.98 Values, now	$3.98
$4.98 Values, now	$3.39

Pre-Inventory SALE!
GLOVES
Wool, Pigskin and Doeskin

$5.98 Values, now	$3.98
$3.98 Values, now	$2.98
$2.98 Values, now	$1.98
$1.98 Values, now	$1.49

PRE-INVENTORY SALE!
FUR-TRIMMED COATS
Every fur trimmed coat in our stock is included in this Pre-Inventory Sale! Beautiful styles and fur trimmings. All are 100% wool and trimmings include mouton, persian, squirrel and muskrat. You'll find a wonderful selection.

Values to $135.00, now **$39.98 to $79.98**

Pre-Inventory Sale!
MILLINERY
Our entire stock included in this sale.
VALUES TO $10.98

Group One, now	$3.98
Group Two, now	$2.98
Group Three, now	$1.98

Pre-Inventory Sale!
All Costume JEWELRY
1/3 OFF

Pre-Inventory Sale!
Entire Stock SCARFS
1/3 OFF

Pre-Inventory Clearance!

Sale! of girls' coats

A wide selection of colors, styles and materials in sizes 1 to 3, 3 to 6x, 7 to 14. Shop Early!

$29.98 Values, now	$16.98
$24.98 Values, now	$14.98
$19.98 Values, now	$12.98
$16.98 Values, now	$10.98
$14.98 Values, now	$8.98
$12.98 Values, now	$7.98
$10.98 Values, now	$6.98
$8.98 Values, now	$5.98

Pre-Inventory Sale! Housecoats - Robes - Dusters

A good selection in nylon, crepe, velvet, corduroy and cotton. Quilted styles included.

$24.98 Values, now	$16.98
$19.98 Values, now	$12.98
$16.98 Values, now	$10.98
$14.98 Values, now	$8.98
$12.98 Values, now	$7.98
$8.98 Values, now	$5.98
$5.98 Values, now	$3.98
$3.98 Values, now	$2.98

Pre-Inventory Sale!
Slips • Gowns • Pajamas
One group of tailored and lace trim styles.

$10.98 Values, now	$6.50
$7.98 Values, now	$4.98
$5.98 Values, now	$3.98
$4.98 Values, now	$2.98
$3.98 Values, now	$2.49
$2.98 Values, now	$1.98

Pre-Inventory Sale!
BLOUSES
Tailored and fancy. Long and short sleeves.

$10.98 Values, now	$6.98
$8.98 Values, now	$5.98
$5.98 Values, now	$3.98
$3.98 Values, now	$2.98
$2.98 Values, now	$1.98

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Nationally Advertised
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Pre-Inventory Sale!
UNIFORMS
Nylons, Cottons and Seersuckers
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Pre-Inventory Sale!
PURSES
Plastic, suede, broadcloth faille and calf. Black, brown, red, navy, tan and cocoa.
$1.98

Pre-Inventory Sale!
Children's Dresses

$10.98 Values, now	$6.98
$8.98 Values, now	$5.98
$5.98 Values, now	$3.98
$4.98 Values, now	$2.98
$3.98 Values, now	$2.49
$2.98 Values, now	$1.98

Cottons, taffetas, nylons, wools. Sizes 6 to 18 months; 1 to 3; 3 to 6x; 7 to 14.

Pre-Inventory Sale!
CHILDREN'S WEAR
Blouses • Sweaters • Skirts • Tee Shirts

$4.98 Values, now	$2.98	$2.98 Values, now	$1.98
$3.98 Values, now	$2.49	$1.98 Values, now	$1.49

Cotton, nylon and orlon. Sizes for infants: 1 to 3 3 to 6x and 7 to 14.

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OBITUARIES

John F. Sprinkle

John F. Sprinkle, 53, Smithton, Route 2, died Saturday at 10:15 a.m., shortly after being admitted to the Bothwell Hospital.

He was born in Sedalia, Oct. 30, 1902, son of Richard and Nancy Lindsey Sprinkle. He lived in and around Sedalia all his life and was employed at the Almquist Bakery for many years.

Mr. Sprinkle was married to L. Frances Cole Jan. 12, 1924, and she survives as do five daughters, Mrs. Kenneth Romig, Route 5, Sedalia, Mrs. Jewell Schlib, 616 East 17th, Sedalia, Mrs. Leo Rehmer, Mrs. Jack Wittman, both of Otterville, and Miss Wanda Lee Sprinkle of the home; two sons, Thomas H. Sprinkle, Independence, Mo., and Donald LeRoy Sprinkle, 217 S. Grand, Sedalia; one brother, Lyle G. Sprinkle, Honolulu, Hawaii; one sister, Mrs. Milford Goshans, Smithton; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 2:00 p.m. at the Gillespie Funeral Home with the Rev. T. W. Croxton, pastor of the First Baptist Church, to officiate. Russell Maag will sing "Going Home" and "Going Down The Valley," accompanied by Mrs. D. W. Heckart at the organ.

Pallbearers will be George Jaeger, Edward Jaeger, Lee Lewis, Henry Wittman, Lem Cole and Lincoln Schilb.

Burial will be in Crown Hill Cemetery.

The body will remain at the Gillespie Funeral Home until after the services.

Mrs. Charles M. Sellers Jr.

Funeral services for Mrs. Henrietta Smith Sellers, 55, who was fatally injured Thursday morning in a one-car accident on U. S. Highway 40 six miles east of Sweet Springs, were held at 2 p.m. Saturday. Services were conducted a the Campbell-Lewis Funeral Chapel in Marshal.

Burial was in the Ridge Park Cemetery at Marshall.

Mrs. Marie K. Heidbreder

Mrs. Marie Keiss Heidbreder, widow of the late Rev. Herman Heidbreder, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. A. Cobb, 1125 Westley, Oak Park, Ill., Friday night. She had been ill about six months.

The Hiedbreder fatmily lived in Sedalia about 26 years during which time he was pastor of the St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Following Mr. Heidbreder's death on July 3, 1948, she went to Oak Park to reside with her daughter, Joan.

Surviving besides the daughter are three grandson, Jeffrey, Joel and Jan.

Although funeral arrangements are not definite it is believed services will be held Tuesday at Oak Park, with burial to be at Quincy, Ill., beside the grave of her husband.

Mary Rebecca Harris Rites

Funeral services for Mary Rebecca Harris, 86, formerly of Route 2, who died Thursday at the Bothwell Hospital, were held at the Gillespie Funeral Home at 1 p.m. Saturday. The Rev. William A. Morgan, pastor of the Grand Avenue Mission, officiated.

Russell C. Maag, staff soloist, sang "Saved by Grace" and "In the Sweet Bye and Bye," accompanied by Mrs. Del Heckart at the organ.

Pallbearers were Eldwood G. and Elmer G. Harris, Boonville; D. Lawrence North and 'Gene North, Springfield; Robert P. and Thomas A. Harris, Pilot Grove.

Burial was in the Old Lamine Cemetery.

The body was at the Gillespie Funeral Home until after the services.

Mrs. Maggie Strother Services

Funeral services for Mrs. Maggie Strother, 69, who died at Latham Sanitarium, California, Thursday at 6 p.m., were held at the First Baptist Church at 2:30 p.m. Saturday. The Rev. G. Elmo Purvis officiated.

Burial was in the New City Cemetery.

The body was at the Wilson Funeral Home in California until time for the services.

Mrs. Lottie Dey Services

Graveside services for Mrs. Lottie Dey, who died Wednesday at O'Fallon, Ill., were held at Calvary Cemetery at 10 a.m. Saturday. The Rev. A. J. Brunswick of Sacred Heart Church officiated.

The McLaughlin Funeral Chapel staff was in charge of the services.

Lee Jenkins Hughes

Leo Jenkins Hughes, 53, formerly of Sedalia, died in a hospital at Lebanon, Mo., at 4 a.m. Saturday.

He was born Oct. 5, 1902 at LaMonte, son of the late W. H. and Ida M. Hughes. He attended school in LaMonte.

Mr. Hughes left Sedalia about a month ago when he was taken to a hospital in Kansas City. He was employed with the Missouri Public Service Co., in Sedalia before leaving.

He is survived by one son, Gillum Hughes, of LaMonte; two daughters, Ida and Ella Hughes, of LaMonte; one granddaughter, Ann Hughes, LaMonte; and one sister, Mrs. Ernest Jackson, Camdenton, Mo.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday at the Parker-Moore Funeral Home in LaMonte with the Rev. Lloyd Pickering, pastor of the Christian Church there, officiating.

Mrs. R. B. Burke will have charge of the music.

Pallbearers will be Earl Miller, Clarence Guthrie, Mac Rice, Bill Owsley, Francis Harrison and Leroy Harrison.

Burial will be in the LaMonte Cemetery.

The body is at the Parker-Moore Funeral Home.

Harve Ellis

Harve Ellis, 80, Route 5, died at Bothwell Hospital at 8:20 p. m. Saturday. He had been a patient there since Thursday.

He was born March 28, 1875, near Clifton City in Pettis County, son of the late John M. Ellis and Nancy Taylor Ellis. He lived all of his life in Pettis County. He was a retired farmer. He was married to Ella Thomas, who died Oct. 4, 1947.

Survivors are: five daughters, Mrs. H. J. Johnston, Route 5, Sedalia, Mrs. Carl Landes, Route 2, Sedalia, Mrs. Lawrence Lueck, 1718 South Stewart, Mrs. Asa Bishop, Otterville, and Mrs. Gordon Smith, 608 South Kentucky; two sons, James Ellis, Route 2, Sedalia, and John Ellis, Kansas City; three sisters, Mrs. R. M. Ellis, 922 East Fifth, Mrs. Ben Kahrs, 901 East Sixth, and Mrs. Lively McMullin, 818 East Fifth; 13 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

One sister and one daughter preceded him in death.

Services will be at 2 p. m. Tuesday at the Gillespie Funeral Home.

Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Collier C. Brooks

Collier C. Brooks formerly of Otterville, died at his home in Boise, Idaho, at 6 p.m. Friday. His brother, John Henry Brooks, 4100 South Kentucky, left Saturday morning for Boise to attend the funeral.

Mr. Brooks was born May 8, 1888, on a farm north of Otterville, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Brooks. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Squire E. Brooks. A veteran of World War I, he served two years in Germany in the Signal Corps. After his discharge from service he went west, residing in Washington antd later in Idaho.

Surviving are: his wife, Blanche; one son, Thomas C. Brooks; one daughter, Ruth; one brother, John Henry Brooks, Sedalia; and two grandchildren.

Mrs. Windsor Warren

Mrs. Windsor Warren, of Springfield, Mo., formerly of Sedalia, was fatally burned Friday night at her home in a furnace accident.

She is survived by her husband, of the home.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at Springfield.

Buena Vista Residents Have Two Very Unusual Treats Friday Evening

The people at Buena Vista had two very unusual treats Friday.

In the morning Mrs. Thelma Buckley, teacher of Brown School, took her 23 pupils, the entire school, to Buena where they presented the pageant, "The Birthday of the Christ Child," in complete colorful costumes. The original pageant was written by Mrs. Buckley. Some of the mothers accompanied Mrs. Buckley an' the children and following the pageant the children gave gifts of fruit and cookies to the home.

During the evening Del Heckart of Gillespies sent three of his big cars out to the home and took all of the people who were able to go around the entire town to see the Christmas decorations. This was something no one had thought of doing before and it was a real thrill for the people of the home, bt truly no more of a thrill than those from Gillespies who drove the cars had.

"Of everything," said one of the men, "This has really been the best part of my Christmas.

LATE DAILY RECORD

Future Subscribers

Son, to Dr. and Mrs. Charles Butts, Calif., at Latham Sanatarium, Dec. 23, at 9:45 p.m. Weight, eight pounds.

Son, to Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Purchase, Jr., Houstonia community, at Sweet Springs, Dec. 19. Weight, eight pounds, eight ounces.

Son, to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wolf, Prairie Home, at Latham Sanitarium, California, Dec. 22. Weight, seven pounds, 13 ounces.

Daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Porter, California, at Latham Sanitarium Dec. 23. Weight, seven pounds, 13 ounces.

Daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. William E. Neff, Warsaw, at Macon, Co. Hospital, 1:30 a.m. Dec. 22. Weight, six pounds, 7½ ounces. Named, Rebecca Susan. Mrs. Roy Neff, Warsaw, is the maternal grandmother.

City Hospitals

BOTHWELL — Medical: John Sprinkle, Smithton; Miss Donna Wolf, 1709 South Summit; Arthur Rosenhan, 662 East Tenth; and Vic Kinsey, Mora.

Accident: Mrs. John Fagan and Larry Fagan, Kansas City.

Dismissals: Mrs. Bill Stelljes, Route 1; Mrs. Wilfred Groshans, Smithton; Hugh Hartley, Route 4; Mrs. Joe Bass, 104 East Jefferson; Mrs. Leo Gerke, Smithton; Mrs. Rex Phillips, Bothwell Hotel; Mrs. Thomas Kindle, 125 East Boonville; Theodore Kaullen, 1413 South Park; Mrs. Omar Greer and son, 1204 East 14th; Miss Camillia Walch, 504 Dal-Whi-Mo; Mrs. Jack Simpson; 301 East 28th; Mrs. Juanita Haase, 608 East 12th; Mrs. M. F. Stewart, 304 West Sixth; Mrs. Kester Potter, Otterville; Mrs. Mike Hughes and daughter, Route 2; Mrs. M. F. Kraxberger, Stover; Mrs. Glen Baldwin, Stover; Mrs. John Houston and son, 612 South Summit; and Mrs. Cleo Hampy and daughter, Florence.

In Other Hospitals

Miss Patricia Ann Stockman, Malta Bend, victim Thursday of an automobile accident two miles north of Marshall, is resting comfortably at Saline Hospital. X-ray pictures taken Friday showed she did not receive any fractures, although she did have many severe bruises. She was hurt when the car she was driving skidded on the slippery pavement and left the road.

Atty. Leon P. Embry, who has been a patient at the Latham Sanatraium for the past several weeks, was dismissed Saturday morning. He suffered a stroke last May and was first confined to St. Mary's Hospital, Jefferson City, before being transferred to Latham Sanatarium at California.

Fires In The City

The fire companies at 4:15 p.m. were called to the Tally-Ho No. 2 on East U. S. Highway 50 where dry grass was burning. The fact the business is located in the new annexed area to Sedalia the local companies answered the call along with the County fire truck.

Chief of Police Edgar Neighbors also went to the scene in case of the need of an officer to handle traffic.

No damage resulted.

Accidents

Slight damage resulted but no one received injuries when a 1946 Ford, driven by Bonnie Sands, 1609 South Missouri and a 1952 Ford, driven by Charles E Salmons, 1021 East 15th, collided at 13th and Montgomery at 8 a.m. Friday.

The left front fender on the Sands vehicle was smashed while the right front fender on the Salmons car was dented.

Sedalia police made an investigation of the accident.

Two vehicles were involved in an accident at Main and Kentucky at 1 p.m. Friday. Involved were a 1953 Buick, driven by Samuel E. Green, 716 North Moniteau and a 1940 Plymouth, driven by Thomas A. Smith, Houstonia.

The left rear fender on the Buick was dented while no danage was reported on the Plymouth.

Police investigated the accident.

No injuries were suffered in an accident in front of 632 East Broadway at 12:30 p.m. Saturday. Damage resulted to two vehicles.

Involved were a 1949 Ford tudor sedan driven by Omer Moon, 1819 South Stewart, and which was parked, and a 1950 Buick special sedan driven by R. D. Sisemore, 511 South Engineer, which was going east on Broadway. The left rear fender on the Ford was damaged and the right front portion of the Buick damaged.

Two cars were damaged in an accident at Third and Osage about 9:59 a.m. Saturday in a collision. Occupants of the vehicles escaped injury.

Involved was a 1951 Chevrolet tudor sedan driven north on Osage by William W. Fowler, 814 East 16th, and a 1946 Ford tudor driven west on Third by Franklin Lindsey, 1211 East Third.

The right front fender and front end of the Chevrolet were damaged and the left front end of the Ford damaged.

Police Reports

An obliging car thief notified the Sedalia police Friday night the car he stole Wednesday night was parked near the Missouri Pacific railroad station at Knob Noster. A check was made by the Highway Patrol and the car was sitting on a side street near the station.

The party calling informed the police to "tell the owner to leave the keys in the car, I might want to steal it again."

A few minutes later the party called the police and informed them, "Be sure and tell him to have the tank full of gasoline the next time."

The car, a 1949 Ford sedan, belonged to Lynn W. Bates, 308 West Broadway, was stolen sometime between 6:15 p.m. Wednesday night and 7:30 a.m. Thursday morning.

One thing the thief failed to tell the police when he asked the car have a full tank of gasoline was that he kept the other set of car keys, which were supposed to have been in the car when stolen.

The car was towed back to Sedalia by the Chamberlin wrecker.

Vera Watring, 2617 East Broadway, reported to the police the loss of her plastic purse containing $8 or $9 in bills and her driver's license, somewhere downtown Friday afternoon.

Accidents

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her billfold and her husbands billfold was lost at the scene. Mrs. Fajan's purse contained $20 and that of her husband's in the neighborhood of $125. A passing motorist was believed to have picked it up to keep for the Fajans and failed to return it to them before leaving the scene.

"That was to help us on our trip and Christmas holiday," Fajan said.

"If we ever needed that money we certainly need it now. If the finder will only return it to us, we will surely appreciate it," Mrs. Fajan said.

The car was towed to the Hamlin's Service Station.

A two-car collision on North Highway 65 and the Georgetown road, resulted in four persons being injured about 2:45 p.m. Friday. Both vehicles were badly damaged.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Taylor, 35, and her two daughters, Candy, nine, and Judy, eight, of Chillicothe, were injured. They were taken to Bothwell Hospital by a passing motorist where they were given emergency treatment by Dr. C. G. Stauffacher and released to leave for their home.

Mrs. Taylor suffered a contusion of the abdomen, a cut under her chin, abrasion of both knees and laceration of the upper lip. Candy suffered abrasions of both legs, while Judge suffered abrasions and contusions of both knees, laceration of the gums, and her front upper teeth were knocked loose.

Mrs. Sedalia Hare, 71, 1201 South Harrison, who was learning to drive the car in which she was riding, suffered bruises of the left shoulder and right hip. She was not taken to the hospital.

Mrs. Taylor was driving a 1954 Dodge coach and was headed north on the highway while Mrs. Hare, driving a 1950 Chevrolet coupe, was headed west on the gravel road and started to pull across the highway when the accident occurred.

The left front end of the Dodge was badly damaged while the right side of the Chevrolet was smashed and the left side damaged when it went into the ditch on the west side of the highway.

Mrs. Hare was taking driving lesons from W. B. Eastham, from whom she had purchased the car. She was also accompanied by Mr. Hare. Neither Eastham nor Hare were injured.

Mrs. Taylor had been in Sedalia visiting her father, Lee McLean of the Terry Hotel. McLean is agent for the DesMoines, Springfield and Southern Stage Lines in Sedalia.

The Dodge was towed to the Chamberlin Service Station and the Chevrolet to the Bacon Service Station.

CHRISTMAS SPOILED—Mrs. John Fajan and her son, Larry, are comforted at right after being injured when their car, driven by her brother Ralph R. Albert, left highway 50 just east of Smithton early Saturday. Albert suffered minor hurts. Her husband, left, stands in front of the car and was not injured. Albert blamed bright oncoming headlights that blinded him and caused him to lose control. The family, from Kansas City, Kan., was enroute to southeast Missouri to spend the holidays. (Staff photo)

Optimist Club Will Hear Don S. Lamm

Don S. Lamm will be the speaker Tuesday noon at the meeting of the Optimist Club at Bothwell Hotel. Program chairman will be Claude Boul.

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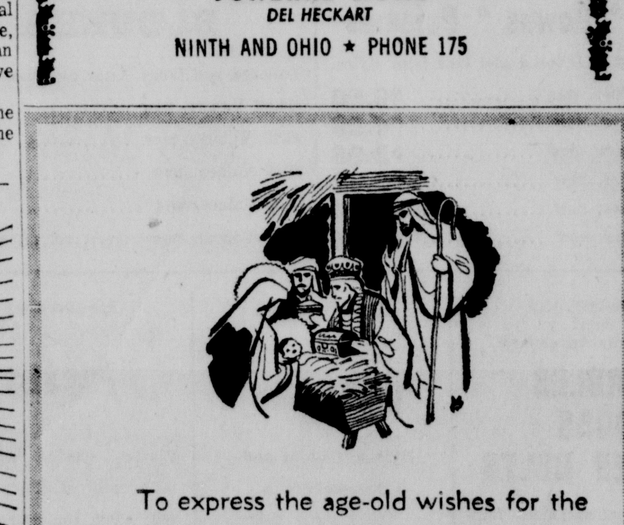

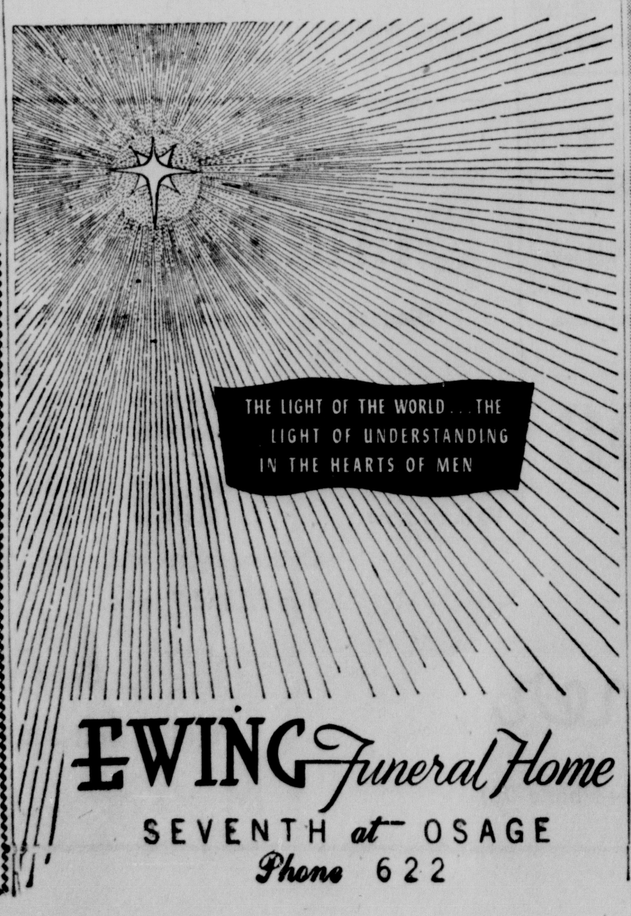

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Plan Wreath for Mrs. Cotton's Grave—
S-C Senior Student Council Discusses Several Projects

By Bob Mason and Nancy Oswald

The senior Student Council met at 2:15 Monday afternoon. During the course of the meeting many suggestions for projects to be council-sponsored were presented. Several suggestions were referred to special committees and members for further investigation. The most important item of business conducted was the decision to purchase a wreath to be placed on the grave of Mrs. Sarah Cotton, one of the persons largely responsible for Smith-Cotton High School. A wreath was also placed on her grave on her birthday anniversary in October.

Honor Society students will soon be sporting new rings and pins of that organization, following an announcement Tuesday that such emblems may be ordered from the organization secretary, Sandra Maune. Students are given a large selection from which to make their choice.

The annual Christmas assembly was held at 2:15 Friday in the Smith-Cotton Auditorium. This assembly, which will include both senior and junior high school groups, was under the direction of Mrs. Carl Schrader, and featured the Girls Glee Club. After the assembly program, school was dismissed until Tuesday, Jan. 3, for the regular Christmas holiday and New Year season.

Home rooms at Smith-Cotton High reflected the Christmas cheer on Friday morning, first hour, when parties were held in several of them. Some of the groups, planning more elaborate parties than others, held their parties in the school cafeteria.

The faculty of Smith-Cotton held its annual Christmas party on Tuesday, Dec. 20, in the school cafeteria. The home economics department, under the direction of Mrs. Maddox and Mrs. McKee, decorated the tables and prepared cookies and candies, which were served along with small cups of ice cream. The occasion was made even more pleasant by the exchange of gifts, and appropriate remarks were made by Mr. Forrest Drake, principal.

An Archives staff meeting was held Tuesday, during which several annual pages were completed. Soon after the Christmas holidays, the first half of the annual will be sent to the printer. The annual will be available to the students in May, and is being completed as soon as possible by the members of the annual staff under the sponsorship of Mrs. Thelma Cook.

Queens and queen attendants at the various school activities this year met Wednesday to receive instructions concerning printing of portraits for the school annual. After this meeting, the following school officials for this school year met to have their pictures taken: Don Land, Larry Shepherd, Vernon Ditton, Deanie Perkins, Miss Swearingen, Miss Sanders, Mrs. Schlicting, Marilyn Goldman, Leland Payton, Dick Woodsmall, Mrs. Yurasich, Ted Walch, Bill Reed, Melvin Brown, Patty Parker, Miss White, Richard Wertz, Nick Nichols, Mary Jones and Larry Reed.

On Wednesday, Dec. 21, at 3:30 p.m., was the time of a meeting of Smith-Cotton Bible Club. This being their Christmas meeting, several Christmas solos were heard and carols were sung by all of the members. During the business meeting, interested students were urged to enter the Bible Club contest.

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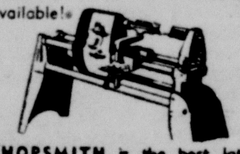

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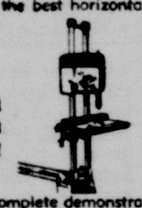

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Merry Christmas!

If your ears detect a wee, flat ring in that greeting this morning ignore it; be charitable for the children's sake.

Mothers and fathers, bosses or clerks for several weeks have been coping with the accelerated pace of Christmas business and shopping activity.

In between times parents have attempted to resolve the problem of conforming to perpetuation of each other's pre-marriage family traditions in the observance of Christmas. Praise be to those who have succeeded in establishing a compromise.

None can measure the physical exertion, mental strain, tension, built-up pressures for some unknown reason more evident this year than in the past. Store clerks have had such trials of patience a courtesy award of a gold medal should have been the Chamber of Commerce appreciation to endurance winners.

Among tired and cross victims of that inevitable ulcerated let-down there is a natural tendency toward irritability expresed in terms of shouting at the children this morning instead of smiling and exclaiming:

Merry Christmas!

Universally this is the season for exuberance instead of temperamental and physical excesses — blowing off steam. The latter should have no part in Christmas joy and Christian thankfulness.

If kindness and generosity toward family and friends is to be appreciated as it should be, some thought should be given to the manner in which it is demonstrated.

Making pre-Christmas season into a tournament of physical and mental prowess for which the award is simply an ugly disposition on Christmas day, defeats its purpose. Effort should be made to modify preliminary hard work into a more relaxed approach. To be sure there must be some fuss and feathers about it else anticipation loses its flavor, but not to the extent of exhaustion.

The suggestion is too late for adoption this year but it may be on the agenda for 1956 and thereafter.

In the meantime if you can adjust your tensions at this late hour the entire family may have what we wish you in all sincerity:

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Drew Pearson Says—

Pre-Christmas Show For Boys In Arctic

Drew Pearson

THULE, Greenland — If Christmas isn't quite what you think it should be this year; if you're exhausted from preparing the Christmas turkey, or trying to figure out what to buy your cousins and your uncles and your sisters and your aunts, or you're eggnog-logged from too many pre-Christmas parties, then think for a minute how you'd like to be up near the North Pole.

That's where 6,000 U. S. servicemen and three Army nurses are spending Christmas right now, together with several thousand more men at a whole string of bases extending from Newfoundland to Greenland to Labrador. And that's where I took a group of theatrical friends and Hartford models to bring a little variety to those long Arctic nights in the pre-Christmas season.

Stuart Symington, when Secretary of the Air Force, had first suggested that I take a trip up to the polar area. But what with peeking through keyholes, crouching under cabinet tables, and not wanting to compete with Bob Hope, I was never able to manage it until this year.

I must confess that although I started on the trip with the idea of doing something for the men stationed in the north, I'm sure I got more out of it than they did.

Our first stop out of New York was Goose Bay, Iabrador. Landing at 8:30 p.m. we found 2,000 men standing patiently in a huge hangar waiting for us. It was 10 p.m. before master of ceremonies Billy Reed of the little club was able to get his girls ready, their Ceil Chapman gowns pressed, their Peiser furs unpacked, their Napier jewelry draped around their necks, and on the improvised stage made by backing three huge Air Force trucks together.

Morale In Arctic

Morale isn't quite such a difficult problem at Goose Bay as in northern Greenland. Troops are not quite as isolated, there are a few Canadian villages nearby, wives are permitted to live on the base, and friendly Canadian troops are stationed nearby. But the 125 inches of snow that stacked up around the eaves of the barracks last year and almost every year doesn't make Goose Bay a Sun Valley or St. Moritz.

Actually, Col. James Knapp, the base commander, was afraid it would last too long. Col. Knapp comes from the prairies around McComb, Ill., and has such a strong sense of duty that he has volunteered for another year in the Canadian wilderness. He also has a stern exterior and you would never guess that underneath he is quite a sentimentalist. I saw him pick up a kitten in the hangar at night and give orders that it be taken someplace where it wouldn't get run over. Three days later when I returned from Greenland I found the kitten in his kitchen — despite the protests of Mrs. Knapp.

Having once been chairman of National Cat Week, I quickly discovered a common bond with the colonel.

Anyway, Colonel Knapp discreetly suggested that since the troops had been standing in the hangar since 8:30, our performance shouldn't last more than an hour. But when Billy Reed finally shooed his talent off the stage at 11:30 p. m., to the applause that 2,000 appreciative troops only can give, the colonel confessed he'd been over cautious.

Patriotic Performers

The theatrical friends who were good enough to interrupt their work and take this rather grueling trip to the Arctic included Miss Ella Logan, dynamic star of "Finian's Rainbow;" Miss Pat Carroll, who has scored more laughs on TV than Ike has smiles in the newspapers; Jacques and Patricia Capella, who have danced through most of the capitals of Europe; the contagious comedy team of Cedrone and Mitchell; and the Jumping Jacks, four Air Force musicians who enlisted together and have stuck together ever since.

Staging a fashion show of what they're wearing in New York and Greenland, were seven Hartford models — Ann Helm of Toronto, Jean Maggio of Mississippi, Pat Paulk of Elmont, N. Y., Louise Manning of Brooklyn, Gale Feeley of Woodstock, N. Y., Nicole Bedel of Paris, and Lou Bee of New York.

Billy Reed, the ex-Broadway hoofer who retired from the stage to run the little club, came back to show business to put the program together, along with Michael Sean O'Shea. All of them took time off, without urging by me, to go without sleep, get hit-and-miss meals and, on one occasion, put on three shows a day. But the response was worth it.

And when Ella Logan, after giving performances at 2 p.m., 5 p.m., and 8:30 p.m., came back to the mess hall in Thule, Greenland, to find that the cooks and dishwashers hadn't been able to get away to see any of the three shows, she sent down to the plane for an accordion and proceeded to give another midnight private performance for the mess hall staff.

It lasted until 2 a.m. And we had to get up that morning at 6, to fly all day for our next show on the Arctic pre-Christmas merry-go-round.

Human Miracle

I reported in an earlier column that Thule Air Base on the polar cap of Greenland is an engineering miracle. More important it's a human miracle.

When you consider that 6,000 men live at Thule, without leave for a year, with no chance to visit the USA, no contact with wives, children, or sweethearts, it's a real miracle in human relations.

From mid-November until the end of February they can't see the sun. When they go outside, even at 12 noon, they wear illumined Scotch tape on the arms of their parkas to show up against auto headlights and keep from being run down in the darkness.

You've heard of men in isolated areas going stark mad from loneliness. But there's none of this at Thule. On the contrary, men were living together with a teamwork that made you proud. Lonesome for their wives and families —yes. But, as Colonel Rohr, commander at Thule, told men, he feels he will be a better husband and father when he gets back home in San Antonio as a result of his experience in the Arctic.

Some of the rest of us can be glad that while we enjoy the generosity of Santa Claus at this Christmas season we don't actually have to live in Santa Claus land.

Guest Editorial—

CAPE GIRARDEAU MISSOURIAN: **Santa Claus In Danger.** There is a popular song written about the theme that Santa Claus is coming to town. For many generations Santa Claus has represented the spirit of Christmas. As a bearer of gifts on Christmas Eve he has been generally accepted by children throughout the world.

While many youngsters recognize him as someone in the neighborhood dressed for the occasion, they still do not repudiate him, and accept him for what he portrays.

All this may be passing from the American scene. In some cities Santa Claus has run afoul of health laws. He is not permitted to welcome children, to hold them on his knees or to listen to their whispered desires. One New York store keeps him hidden from view and children must talk to him over the telephone. In other cities he must pass a stiff medical examination and be licensed.

Santa Claus is running afoul of bureaucracy and may disappear entirely from the Christmas picture. The children will miss him. Mary and Junior suspect him of being a phoney, but still to them he is Christmas, the greatest day of the year in their young lives. If the "jolly old elf" becomes a victim of a scientific generation, his loss will be keenly felt.

Cowboy Hall of Fame

Five cowboys who many years ago "headed for the last roundup" will be honored permanently in a Hall of Fame in a building recently dedicated in Oklahoma City. The trustees of this unusual organization announced the names during half-time ceremonies at the 1955 Oklahoma-Iowa football game.

The cowboys honored were: Theodore Roosevelt, for his contribution to the range-cattle business and his interest in cowboys when he was a young man; Will Rogers, the cowboy humorist from Claremore, Oklahoma; Jake McClure, the great rodeo cowboy from Lovington, New Mexico; Charles Russell, the cowboy artist from Montana; and Charles Goodknight, the trail rider and scout.

Santa's Lost Elf

Once upon a time, so this story goes,
Santa Claus had a little elf helper who froze
Into an icicle and hung from the gable,
He tried to get loose but he just wasn't able;
The snow melted some from the heat from inside
It got him all wet and he couldn't get dried;
It started to freeze as it dripped and it dripped,
He tried to climb onto the house, but he slipped;
He felt himself stiffen in each little joint,
And his two little legs went down in a point;
His little green suit faded lighter and lighter,
His pale yellow hair got whiter and whiter,
His little red nose lost its bright ruddy hue
And he sparkled with colors like icicles do.
Well—Santa went on in his journey that night
And never did know of the wee elfin's plight
Until at his North Pole home he got back,
Had pulled off his boots and folded his sack
Then he counted noses of those tiny elves
And all the wee elfins then counted themselves.
There was one of them missing as sure as could be
And Santa exclaimed, "I must go back and see."
So he put on his boots and he whistled real shrill
And each little reindeer obeyed him at will,
Their big trip was over and they wondered why
He wanted another trip through the sky;
But all of them came and were ready to go,
Yet, where they were going they just didn't know.
They searched everywhere, to each house they went
Until the darkness was just about spent,
But Santa could find his elfin nowhere
And went back to his North Pole home in despair;
For Santa, as he was looking about,
Could not hear the elf in the icicle shout.
The sun came out bright and the first thing he knew
Something had loosened the icicle glue
And the elf in the icicle fell down below
Into a very deep, deep drift of snow.
Then out of the house came Terry and Ned
With their new Christmas mittens and new Christmas sled
And they saw the icicle that looked full of light
That sparkled with color from the sun shining bright.
"Oh," said Terry, "how pretty 'twould be
To put this icicle on our Christmas tree."
"But," pondered Ned, "if we put it on
Wouldn't it melt and soon be all gone?"
"Did the icicles melt," Terry wanted to know,
"Dad put on our tree a few nights ago—?"
So the two went over to where the snow drifted
And out of the snow bank the elfin was lifted.
He was taken right in and put on the tree
And what a beautiful trimming was he.
The elf was so grateful and stayed with the boys,
He hid in the playroom 'mongst all of their toys
And while they were sleeping or just out to play
He did many nice things for them every day.
He did things for their mommy and for their dad, too,
But who did these good deeds no one ever knew.
Each thought these kind acts were done by each other
So each little boy did more for his brother.
The toys were in place and mother was glad,
House slippers and paper were there for their dad.
The elfin stayed on 'til Santa came back
On the next Christmas Eve and opened his pack.
The elf had just waited 'til Santa came in
Then appeared in the room with his big, happy grin.
Santa's friendly old face just beamed with delight
To see the lost elfin was to him quite a sight.
He heard the elf's story and right then said he,
"I'll put lots of special gifts under this tree;"
Then the elfin and Santa Claus went on their way
And surprised was the family upon Christmas Day;
There were "Ahs" and "Ohs" as they looked around.
They never expected such gifts as they found;
But they never knew of the elfin so small,
So they didn't miss him when he left at all.
For while he was there, though they didn't know why,
They formed habits of doing nice things on the sly,
They did for each other everything they could do,
So, when the elf left, they just never knew,
But good deeds kept them busy as busy could be
And a happier family you never did see.

—Hazel N. Lang.

Looking Backward...

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Wholesale distribution of candies, nuts and oranges featured the Missouri Pacific Booster Club's annual Christmas party at Liberty Park Convention Hall Monday night when 2,500 were there for a musical program, dance and treat.

1930

Members of the Business and Professional Women's Club met and made 400 popcorn balls for children, 30 of them being sent to the Melita Day Nursery and the remainder to the Salvation Army for its Christmas tree.

1930

Lewis Andrews, student at the University of Missouri, was here from Columbia visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Andrews.

1930

Raymond Wilder, Sedalia, attending Warrensburg Teachers' College, was one of 20 members of the gridiron squad there receiving letters.

FORTY YEARS AGO

In partition sale of various tracts of land in the Benjamin R. Major estate of 717 acres at auction by Sheriff James R. Card, it aggregated $39,465.

1915

Herman P. Demand, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Demand, 318 West Fifth, in boys' work as secretary for the YMCA at Spatanburg, S.C., was here for the holidays.

1915

The Rev. R. C. Williamson and J. W. Jamison, the latter general attorney for the MKT, were speakers at the luncheon of the Sedalia Chamber of Commerce.

Democrat Pick-Ups

Odds and Ends By News Staff

"ALWAYS," SAID a woman who is spending Christmas in Sedalia after being away for a number of years, "we have had our Christmas on Christmas Day, saving every package as it arrived and opening them all at once on Christmas morning, but now I am beginning to wonder if that is really the smart thing to do or not."

Then she told about coming to Sedalia and before she arrived a particular friend of hers had been invited to the home to have breakfast with her. As the friend started to leave her own home she received two Christmas packages so she took them right along with her, but waited to open them until the woman from out-of-town arrived. Then she opened them with all the bubbling and delight that she always gets out of everything.

"When I saw how much fun she had over opening those two gifts," said the woman, "I thought maybe I had been wrong all along. Here Blanche was getting such a thrill out of opening her gifts as they came and she had Christmas for days while mine lasted only a short time, just the opening of everything on Christmas morning. She prolonged her Christmas fun and made it stretch throughout the season."

Then the conversation of the group of women she was talking to went to the subject of Blanche who seemed to get joy out of everything.

"I think she is a wonderful person," said one of them, "She gets more out of life than anybody I know. She gets a big thrill out of everything."

"Yes," said the woman back on a visit as she paid her friend one of the greatest tributes that could be paid anyone. "When Blanche and I used to run around together quite a little my mother would say when I came in, 'You must have been with Blanche today.' And the first time or so, she said, I told her I had been and asked her how she knew. 'Oh,' said the mother, 'When you have been with Blanche you always come in smiling and gay'."

The bright and happy personality of Blanche just overflowed into her friend until she felt that way, too, and she showed it so plainly when she came home that her mother could always tell when she had been with Blanche because of her unusually cheerful mood.

And now at Christmas time she had seen Blanche again, Blanche who never changes but seems to radiate a happiness to those about her, who strings out her Christmas through the entire season by opening each gift as it comes and enjoying that one gift to the fullest until the next one comes and then getting a thrill out of each new gift, and going back to the first and the second and so on, to experience again and again the real excitement of Christmas. Blanche, indeed, seems to hold the key that opens the door to happiness not only for herself but to those around her.

— H. L.

As Sedalia Sees It—

Swedes Legend of Lucia Shatters Gloom of Winter

By Walt Dear
Our Correspondent In Sweden

STOCKHOLM, Sweden—Imagine the sun rising later than 8 o'clock every morning and suddenly setting at 2 p.m. Or worse, think of not seeing the sun for days at a time, or, at best, just a pale glow over the horizon for a few hours.

This is the weather picture in Sweden, and especially in northern Sweden at this time of the year.

Now, take a beautiful, blonde-haired, Swedish girl, place a crown of seven candles about her head, dress her in a shining white nightgown and velvet belt, and let her sing "Santa-Lucia" to you at 5 a.m. on a bleak December day, and you will see why Sweden rejoices at this time of the year at the thought of celebrating Lucia Day.

For the Swedes have taken a legend from pagan and early Christian traditions in Italy to shatter the gloominess of winter and warm the hearts of even a Scrooge.

This season, in every Swedish household, the daughter of the family becomes Lucia, bringing light and joy to all.

If it seems strange that this north Scandinavian country has adopted this custom, which originated in Sicily around the year 300 A.D., then consider that Swedes, already known for their formalities and customs, have to cope with cloudy, dark weather from November to March.

There are several versions to the Lucia story, the most primitive one being the legend that tells of a wealthy noblemen who desired that the beautiful virgin-maid, Lucia, trade her virginity for his love. The only stumbling block to a marriage with the beauty was her Christian faith. "Give up your religion and marry me," he proposed to her via an emissary.

However, the young girl asked, "What has aroused this nobleman's interest in me, more than anything else?"

"Your beautiful eyes," was the answer.

"He may have them," she cried and took a knife, goring out her lovely eyes, before anyone could stop her. "Will your master now leave me alone, so that my soul is not harmed."

The legend relates how the young beauty received another pair of eyes, through a miracle of God, still more beautiful than the ones she had sacrificed.

While this stark story may make modern readers shudder with its reality, the Swedes have softened the edges, adopting Lucia as a beacon light to illumine men's hearts in the darkness of winter.

In modern Sweden, early in the morning, perhaps even at 4:30 a.m., the daughter of the household rises quickly, dons her white gown, places the candle crown on her head, and visits each room of her home, singing "Santa Lucia." She then serves hot coffee and old-fashioned buns.

Another approach to the Lucia Festival was taken by an international student group at nighttime recently. Only candles lighted a restaurant where the group had gathered, when suddenly, sixteen lovely Swedish girls paraded into the room, chanting "Santa Lucia," "Silent Night," and Swedish Christmas carols.

Nowadays, the festival has taken the form of a beauty contest, sponsored by Swedish newspapers. The winner visits hospitals and homes for the aged. Proceeds from the competition are awarded to the tuberculosis association and similar charity societies.

No home or organization is too small to have a Lucia celebration. If a family is not fortunate enough to have a daughter, then perhaps the neighbor's daughter will visit several households, bringing coffee and a tray of cookies.

Even a tiny child can play the part of Lucia. When a family has two daughters, the older one gets the nod for the role of Lucia, though her hair be brown, and her voice that of a monotone.

With the memory of Lucia's visit, Swedes somehow don't mind the weather any more. The "bringer of light" has illumined the land until the bright rays of summer sun have returned.

The custom has spread to the United States. Lucia girls are today chosen in New York, Seattle, Worcester, Chicago and Minneapolis, among other places.

Department Stores Pace Last Year's Sales

ST. LOUIS (AP)—Christmas sales at Eighth Federal Reserve District department stores continued to pace last year's volume in the week ending Dec. 17.

The federal reserve bank of St. Louis reported today the district total was 10 per cent higher than in the corresponding period in 1954.

St. Louis area sales topped the district with a 13 per cent boost. Louisville was up 6 per cent, Memphis 5 per cent and Little Rock 4 per cent.

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THE THREE WISHES — A Christmas Story — BY WALT SCOTT

Jolly Fat Man On TV Won't Be Santa Claus

By BOB THOMAS

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Tonight a jolly fat man will be opening his bag of delights on television. No, not Santa Claus. It's Charles Laughton.

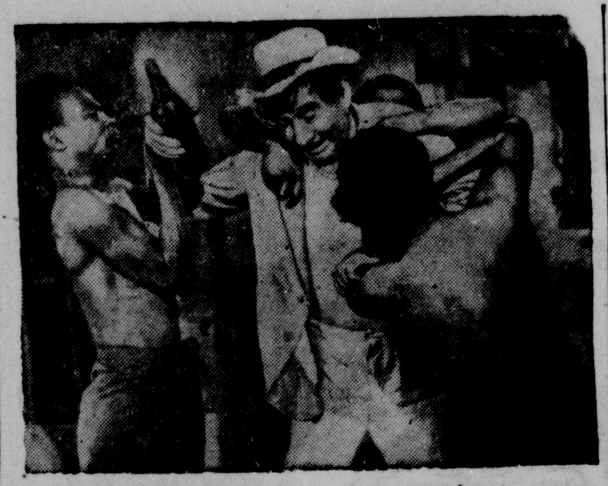
NBC's Christmas gift to the nation will be cherubic Charles reading from his favorite selections in the hour before midnight. And though he professes to shun sentimentality, he admits, "It's rather nice to be thought of as something of a traditio at Christmastime."

At his home just off Hollywood Boulevard, Laughton brought out his battered old reading bag and displayed its contents. The satchel contained a frayed copy of "Pickwick Papers" which he had had since boyhood, plus other books he plans to read tonight — the Bible, James Thurber, Thomas Wolfe, etc.

"This bag has seen a lot of duty," he reflected. "It was always a good prop. If I had a particularly cold audience, I would spill it on the floor at the start. That would warm them up for me. It also helped if I had the most disreputable of chairs. Sometimes we got a kitchen chair and cut off the back of it."

Laughton's reading for public consumption dates back to World War II when he toured service hospitals with the bag of books. He said that he tried for years to get his agents to book him theatrically as a reader, but made no headway.

Then one night he did some selections on the Ed Sullivan Show. A young eager beaver named Paul Gregory caught the act in a bar and sought out the actor. Gregory, a former actor himself and then an agent, was convinced the readings had an audience. He booked Laughton for a tour and their association has led to a million-dollar enterprise producing attractions like "Don Juan in Hell," "John Brown's Body," "Caine Mutiny Court Martial" and a film, "Night of the Hunter."



Robert Newton in a drunken brawl, tries to fight off two natives attempting to subdue him. Scene is from the Technicolors film, "The Beachcomber" which opens at the Uptown Theatre Wednesday.

A heap of holiday happiness is in store for moviegoers in the Fox Theatre's Christmas attraction opening today. Jennifer Jones, recently named as best actress of the year for her portrayal in the Audience Awards in "Love is a Many-Splendored Thing" Brings a heartwarming new personality to the screen in the title role of "Good Morning, Miss Dove". Filmed in cinemascope, color and Stereophonic sound, the screen version of the best-selling book also features Robert Stack, Robert Douglas and Marshall Thompson.

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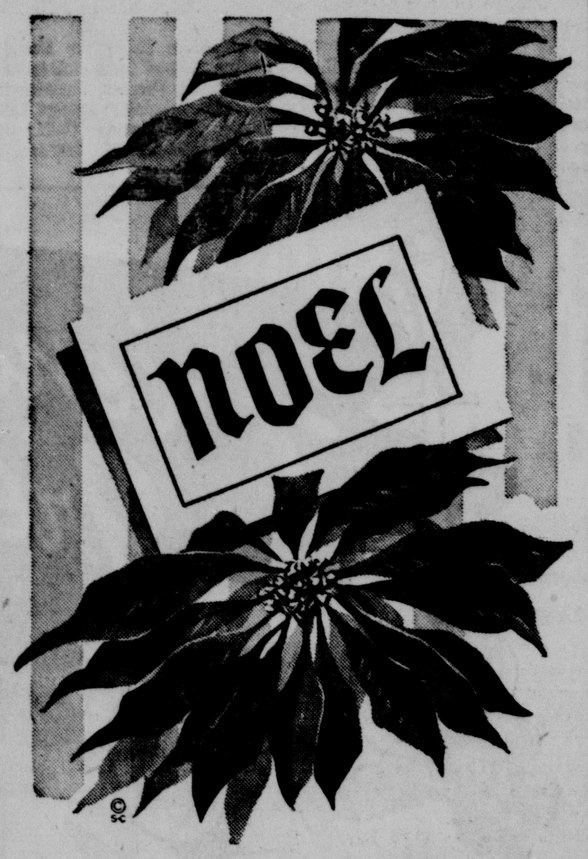

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Sugar Bowl Play Opens Wednesday

Georgia Tech's Grid Duel With Pitt Is Feature Event

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24—(AP)—The Sugar Bowl's week-long sports menu, with the Georgia Tech-Pittsburgh football game Jan. 2 the top morsel, opens Wednesday night with Louisiana State defending its Sugar Bowl boxing title against Syracuse.

The three-day Sugar Bowl tennis tournament, spiced by the showing of top-ranked amateur Vic Seixas, opens Thursday, along with the four-team basketball tourney. A track meet and a regretta also will be offered to sports-hungry fans before Tech and Pitt square off Monday in the 83,000 capacity Tulane stadium.

Sports fever already has hit the town with hotels and motels showing the signs of strain.

Tech coach Bobby Dodd will be after his seventh straight bowl victory against Pittsburgh. Tech, making its fourth start in the Sugar Bowl, took the Orange Bowl in 1952 and followed with triumphs in the 1953 and 1954 Sugar Bowls and took the Cotton Bowl in '55.

Pitt, once the scourge of eastern football, has snapped out of its long doldrums under Coach Johnny Michelosen, hero of the great Panther teams of the late '30s. Pitt hung up its best record in more than a decade with a 7-3 showing this season and win its first bowl bid since 1938 when the Panthers beat Washington in the Rose Bowl.

Tech's smart, speedy backs will match their speed and deception against the stalwart Pitt forwards. The Tech offense hinges on quick, tricky handoffs and an effective passing game. Pitt likes to stick to the ground, but Michelosen warns that "we'll throw every now and then just to keep the defense honest."

The game brewed a storm of controversy when Georgia Gov. Marvin Griffin asked that Tech be prohibited from meeting Pitt because of a Negro on the Pitt squad. His objections drew demonstrations from Tech students but the Georgia Board of Regents ruled Tech could meet Pitt.

Pitt fullback Bob Grier will be the first Negro player to appear in the Sugar Bowl football game.

Utah, the nation's third-ranked team before its defeat by Dayton last Tuesday, tops the entires in the basketball tournament. Marquette, rated No. 13 in the weekly Associated Press poll, is another top contender along with Alabama while Notre Dame has drawn the dark horse role. Alabama gained considerable support with an 89-84 triumph over Holy Cross last week in handing the highly-touted Crusaders their first loss of the season. Forward Al Avant of Marquette will become the first Negro player ever to play in the Sugar Bowl although several Negro players have appeared against Loyola in its field house, site of the tournament.

The majority of the Milwaukee Braves' farm clubs will do their spring training at Waycross, Ga., under the supervision of farm director John Mellen and camp director Hugh Wise.

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IT'S all a fact, and as usual I take this means of wishing to All of You from Sports Scraps, a Merry, Merry Christmas. D. Kelly Scruton, Sports Editor.

Browns Favored To Drop Rams In Pro Clash

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24—(AP)—The machine-like Cleveland Browns, appearing in the title game for the sixth straight year, are favored to defeat the surprising Los Angeles Rams two days hence for the 1955 championship of the National Football League.

The Browns' margin of favoritism is slim, and few would be too surprised if the injury-beset Rams pulled another of a series of upsets Monday afternoon.

But harking back to one year ago, when the forces of Coach Paul Brown humiliated a great Detroit Lion team, 56-10, the cause looks bleak for the Rams and their coach, Sid Gillman, who already has achieved amazing success in his freshman year in prfessional football.

Attendance in Memorial Coliseum is expected to range from 60,000 up, provided the weather is satisfactory. The Rams have averaged 56,000 in their six home league games this season.

This annual struggle for the NFL crown will be televised nationally over the National Broadcasting Co. network, with the Los Angeles area blacked out.

Kickoff time is 3 p. m. CST.

Herr Otto Graham, the field wizard of the Browns, led the club to nine victories, two losses and one tie in winning the Eastern Conference title.

Quarterback Norman Van Brocklin and his patchwork Rams won the Western Division title with an 8-3-1 record.

This will be Graham's second, and final, farewell to football. He retired after the 1954 wars but relented and returned at Browns's urging when the club got off to a poor start in the pre-league season exhibitions.

Expect Big Offensive Show In TCU-Ole Miss Duel In Cotton Bowl

DALLAS, Dec. 24 (AP)—The savage ground power of Texas Christian and the aerial might of Mississippi should add up to a pleasing offensive show here Jan. 2 in the twentieth Cotton Bowl football game.

These two teams, boasting top records of 9-1, have a reputation for scoring plentifully on everybody. Their combined average is 54.4 points per game.

Offensively Texas Christian has swirled to 353.1 yards per outing while Mississippi has done 337.7.

"I don't see how there could be anything but a scoring game," said Coach Abe Martin, who will be taking his first Texas Christian team into a bowl.

Ex-Toledo Players Included On Wichita Team

WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 24—(AP)—Wichita, which will replace Toledo in the American Assn., announced today its 1956 spring roster including a batch of former Toledo players.

Charles Bicknell of Plainfield, N. J., who won eight and lost four with Toledo last season, is among the pitchers.

Other pitchers, with the clubs they played for last season, their records and hometowns, include:

Richard Hoover, Toledo, 5-2, Columbus, Ohio; Georges Maranda, Eau Claire, Wis., 10-5, Levis, Canada; Norman Vic Rehm, Evansville, Ind., 14-11, Carlyle, Ill.; Herbert Shankman, Corpus Christi, 5-1 Milwaukee.

The better hitting infielders are:

Vinicio Garcia, Toledo, .302, Mexico; Harry Hanebrink, Toledo, .283, St. Louis; Earl Hersh, Atlanta .314, Westminster, Md.; Robert Hartsfield, Greenville, S. C., .308 Atlanta; Richard Morse, Boise, Idaho, .283, North Hollywood, Calif.

Outfielders listed for the Milwaukee Braves' farm club include:

Nathaniel Peeples, Jacksonville, Fla., .270, Memphis; Robert Talbot Toledo, .270, Covina, Calif.; Bob Thorpe, Atlanta, .276, Hardeeville, N. C.

Millions Will View Games On TV—

College Bowl Tilts, Pro Title Contest On Holiday Grid Agenda

By WILL GRIMSLEY
Of The Associated Press

A holiday football feast is in store for the nation's arm-chair quarterbacks, beginning with the pro championship game tomorrow in Los Angeles and ending with the college bowl jousts Jan. 2.

The spacing of the attractions due to the extended week-end makes tempting television fare for the inveterate knob-turner, who can gorge himself as never before.

While an estimated 716,500 will view the far-flung program in the flesh, added millions will enjoy the conflicts on their screens.

The National Football League playoff game between the Los Angeles Rams, Western Conference title winners, and the Cleveland Browns, king-pins of the East, will be televised by NBC, starting at 1 p. m. Pacific Coast time or 3 p.m. (CST).

The Browns rule a five-point choice over the Rams in the game which will attract some 90,000.

The North and South Shrine game at Miami, Fla., untelevised but broadcast by Mutual, won't conflict, starting at 7:15 p. m. CST.

Because Christmas and New Year's Day fall on the Sabbath, most of the bowl games have been sandwiched around Sunday, falling on Saturday and Monday. The big day, of course, is Monday Jan. 2.

Next Saturday the Gator Bowl at Jacksonville, Fla., pitting Auburn against Vanderbilt, will be televised by CBS, starting at 1 p.m. It will be possible to get the Blue-Gray game at Montgmery, Ala., starting at 1:30 p. m., and tohe East-West Shrine game at San Francisc, kickoff at 4 p. m., both put on the screens by NBC.

The Salad Bowl at Phoenix, Ariz. sending the Skyline Conference all stars against the Border Conference all-stars, is also set for next Saturday but without TV or radio. The time is 3 p. m. CST.

Only on Jan. 2 will the television viewer be confronted with the quandary of which channel to seize, since three of the major bowls are in direct conflict. But even so he can have four or five hours of solid viewing, with the nation's top-ranking teams at his finger tips.

The Orange, Sugar and Cotton Bowls all have a 1 p. m. CST kickoff while the Rose Bowl at Pasadena, Calif., with a turnout of 100,000 in the offing, gets going at 4 p. m.

The Orange Bowl at Miami pits the mythical national champion, Oklahoma, winner of 29 straight games, against third-ranked Maryland with a crowd of 76,062 expected and CBS doing TV honors. The Sooners have been made a six-point favorite over the rival they whipped 7-0 in the same bowl two years ago.

The Sugar Bowl at New Orleans, with Georgia Tech a 13-pint choice over Pittsburgh, will be televised by ABC while NBC will carry the Cotton Bowl at Dallas, sending Texas Christian University against Mississippi in a battle of Southwest — Southeastern champions. TCU, with the great Jim Swink in the backfield, is a seven-point favorite.

The Rose Bowl attraction brings Michigan State, No. 2 nationally, and UCLA, No. 4, with the versatile, quick-hitting Midwesterners favored by seven points to maintain Big Ten supremacy over the Pacific Coast. NBC is televising.

There are three bowls Jan. 2 of lesser stature but of no less interest in their particular area. Texas Tech will play Wyoming in the Sun Bowl at El Paso, Tex.; Juniata Pa. will meet Missouri Valley in the Tangerine Bowl at Orlando, Fla., and Prairie View will face Tennessee A & M in the Prarie View Bowl at Houston, Tex. These three games will have no television.

The football season drags on through the North-South Senior Bowl game at Mobile, Ala., Jan. 7, with n television, to the Pro Bowl game at Los Angeles Jan. 15 when the all-stars of the pro league' srival conference tangle. This game is expected to lure 50,000.

Try To Stem Over-Optimism—

Sooners Have Psychological Edge Over Terps At Miami

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 24—(AP)—The psychological edge could be the decisive factor when Oklahoma's national champions throw their blazing team speed against Maryland's rocky defenses in the Orange Bowl football game.

Trying to put down what might be a wave of over-optimism among Oklahoma fans, Coach Bud Wilkinson claims that Maryland will have a two-pronged advantage in: (1) Its burning desire for revenge, and (2) The benefit of the underdog psychology.

"I just hope our fans aren't banking too strongly on an Oklahoma victory," says Wilkinson. "This is a great Maryland team we face, one of the toughest we have ever had to play."

Coach Jim Tatum's Terps have plenty of reason to be hungry for an upset over the swift Sooners, who have been made early 7-point favorites.

Two years ago, Maryland held the national title when it met Oklahoma, the No. 3 team, in the Orange Bowl game. But Oklahoma, the country's top rushing team, spoiled Maryland's year of glory by stopping the Terps, 7-9, to taint their national championship and deal them their first defeat in four bowl games.

Further, Maryland had gone into the game as the No. 1 team of the nation in rushing defense and Oklahoma proved it was better even in that respect by stopping Maryland cold in two savage goal line stands.

This year, the situation is exactly the same—in reverse. Oklahoma is the national champ, Maryland is the No. 3. Statistically, however, Oklahoma still is No. 1 in rushing, Maryland in rushing defense.

Tatum shrugs off the psychological angle, declaring that "what happened two years ago isn't going to have any effect on this game."

"Oklahoma is the fastest team I've ever seen and the most brilliantly coached," he said. "They have everything a football team could desire, including the ability to substitute without hurting themselves.

"Sure, I think Maryland has a fine defense, but so has Oklahoma and its only sensible that Oklahoma should be the favored team."

Most of the experts who are picking Oklahoma to win based their decision on the Sooners' great speed, and Wilkinson admits that, all positions considered, this is the fastest team he has ever coached.

The game between the two unbeaten giants is the second "natural" for the Orange Bowl under its "feast or famine" contract with the Big Seven and Atlantic Coast conferences.

No Big Seven team can come to the Orange Bowl two years in a row and for several years this circuit has been absolutely dominated by Oklahoma. The Sooners have won 53 straight conference games.

Some 7,000 seats were added to the Orange Bowl this year, increasing the capacity to 76,062. The game will gross $800,000, including $515,000 at the gate and $285,000 from the CBS television and radio contract.

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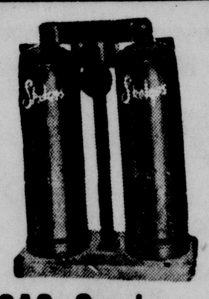
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10:30 Christophers
11:00 Town Hall
11:30 Facts Forum
12:00 Pro Football
2:30 Let's Take a Trip
3:00 Great Plains
3:30 Man to Man
3:45 Film Parade
4:00 Oral Roberts
4:30 This is the Life
5:00 MU Showcase
5:30 Western Theater
6:30 The Pendulum
7:00 Follow That Man
7:30 Liberace
8:00 Dollar a Second
8:30 Break the Bank
9:00 News
9:15 Outdoor Shoptalk
9:30 Sandman Theatre

Monday
7:00 Capt. Kangaroo
8:45 Morning Matinee
9:15 Arthur Godfrey
9:30 Morning Matinee
10:15 Love of Life
11:00 Jack Paar
12:00 Robert Q Lewis
12:45 House Party
1:00 Film
2:15 Secret Storm
2:30 You & Your Home
3:15 Industry On Parade
3:30 Community Service
3:45 Pony Express
5:00 Weather
5:05 Sports
5:10 News
5:15 Doug Edwards
5:30 Robin Hood
6:00 Annie Oakley
6:30 Beulah
7:00 I Love Lucy
7:30 December Bride
8:00 Grand Ole Opry
8:30 T&C Time
9:00 Locker Room
9:15 News
9:25 Weather
9:30 Today's Markets
9:35 Mayor of Town
10:00 Sandman Theater

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10:15 Love of Life
11:00 Jack Paar
12:00 Robert Q Lewis
12:45 House Party
1:00 Big Payoff
1:30 Bob Crosby
2:00 Film
2:15 Secret Storm
2:30 You & Your Home
3:15 Industry On Parade
3:30 Community Service
3:45 Pony Express
5:00 Weather
5:05 Sports
5:10 News
5:15 Doug Edwards
5:30 Name That Tune
6:00 Navy Log
6:30 Wild Bill Hickok
7:00 The Hunter
7:30 District Attorney
8:00 $64,000 Question
8:30 Favorite Husband
9:00 As We See It
9:15 News
9:25 Weather
9:30 Today's Markets
9:35 Locker Room
9:50 Sandman Theater

Wednesday
7:00 Capt. Kangaroo
8:30 Arthur Godfrey
8:45 Morning Matinee
9:15 Arthur Godfrey
9:30 Morning Matinee
10:15 Love of Life
11:00 Jack Paar
12:15 Robert Q. Lewis
12:45 House Party
1:00 Film Parade
2:15 Secret Storm
2:30 You & Your Home
3:15 Industry On Parade
3:30 Community Service
3:45 Pony Express
5:00 Weather
5:05 Sports
5:10 News
5:15 Doug Edwards
5:30 Brave Eagle
6:00 Godfrey & Friends
7:00 See It Now
8:00 Lawrence Welk
9:00 The Key
9:15 News
9:25 Weather
9:30 Today's Markets
9:35 Locker Room
9:50 Sandman Theater

Thursday
7:00 Capt.Kangaroo
8:45 Morning Matinee
9:15 Arthur Godfrey
9:30 Morning Matinee
10:15 Love of Life
11:00 Jack Paar
12:00 Robert Q. Lewis
12:45 House Party
1:00 Big Payoff
1:30 Film
2:15 Secret Storm
2:30 Faith for Today
2:30 Horse Race
3:00 Operation: Success
3:30 Wells With't Welds
4:00 Film Parade
4:15 M.U. Show
4:30 Iowa Farm News
4:35 Hollyw'd Wrestling
5:30 Western Theater
6:25 News
6:30 Honeymooners
7:00 Two for the Money
7:30 Insp. Mark Saber
8:00 Gunsmoke
8:30 Runyon Theater
9:00 Chicago Wrestling
10:00 Sandman Theater

Friday
7:00 Capt. Kangaroo
8:45 Garry Moore
9:00 Morning Matinee
10:15 Love of Life
11:00 Jack Paar
12:15 Robert Q. Lewis
1.00 Film Parade
2:15 Secret Storm
2:30 You & Your Home
3:00 Industry On Parade
3:30 Community Service
3:45 Pony Express
5:00 Weather
5:05 Sports
5:10 News
5:15 Doug Edwards
5:30 My Friend Flicka
6:00 Superman
6:30 Camera Four
7:00 Crusader
7:30 Playhouse of Stars
8:00 Conrad Nagel
8:30 Person to Person
9:00 Here's the Life
9:15 News, Weather
9:30 Today's Markets
9:35 Locker Room
9:50 Sandman Theater

Saturday
2:00 Faith for Today
2:30 Horse Race
3:00 Operation: Success
3:30 Wells With't Welds
4:00 Film Parade
4:30 Iowa Farm News
4:35 Hollyw'd Wrestling
5:30 Western Theater
6:25 News
6:30 Honeymooners
7:00 Two for the Money
7:30 Insp. Mark Saber
8:00 Gunsmoke
8:30 Runyon Theater
9:00 Chicago Wrestling
10:00 Sandman Theater

WDAF-TV Channel 4

Kansas City

SUNDAY
10:00 Church Services
11:00 Captain Hartz
11:15 Coming of Christ
11:30 Frontiers of Faith
12:00 Your Home & Mine
12:30 This Is the Life
1:00 Bowling
2:00 Family Theater
2:30 Zoo Parade
3:00 No Room at the Inn
3:30 Assignment India
4:30 Captain Gallant
5:00 Hopalong Cassidy
5:30 The Cisco Kid
6:00 Harmon's Workshop
6:15 News
6:25 Weather
6:30 Frontier
7:00 Variety Hour
8:00 Television Playh'se
9:00 Loretta Young
9:30 TBA
10:00 Weather
10:05 Big Town
10:35 Les Paul, Mary Ford
10:40 Famous Features

MONDAY
7:00 Today
8:25 Today in K.C.
8:30 Today
8:55 Amy Vanderbilt
9:00 Ding Dong School
9:30 Ernie Kovacs
10:00 Home
11:00 Tennessee Ernie
11:30 Feather Your Nest
12:00 Almanac
12:02 Funnies
12:25 News
12:30 Korla Pandit
1:00 Kitchen Klub
1:30 World Report
1:45 Talk of Town
2:00 Matinee Theatre
3:00 Date With Life
3:15 First Love
3:30 Mr. Sweeney
3:45 Modern Romances
4:00 Pinky Lee
4:30 Howdy Doody
5:00 Buckskin Billy
6:00 News
6:10 Sports
6:15 Patti Page
6:30 Eddie Fisher
6:45 News Caravan
7:00 Playhouse
7:30 Father Knows Best
8:00 Television Theatre
9:00 This Is Your Life
9:30 Duffy's Tavern
10:00 Weather
10:05 The Unexpected
10:35 News, W'ther, Spts.
10:50 K.C. Sportlight
11:00 Tonight
12:00 Tomorrow

TUESDAY
7:00 Today
8:25 Today in K.C.
8:30 Today
9:00 Ding Dong School
9:30 Ernie Kovacs
10:00 Home
11:00 Tennessee Ernie
11:30 Feather Your Nest
12:00 Almanac
12:02 Funnies
12:25 News
12:30 Korla Pandit
1:00 Kitchen Klub
1:30 World Report
1:45 Talk of Town
2:00 Matinee Theatre
3:00 Date With Life
3:15 First Love
3:30 Mr. Sweeney
3:45 Modern Romances
4:00 Pinky Lee
4:30 Howdy Doody
5:00 Buckskin Billy
6:00 News
6:10 Sports
6:15 Patti Page
6:30 Eddie Fisher
6:45 News Caravan
7:00 Playhouse
7:30 Father Knows Best
8:00 Television Theatre
8:30 Circle Theater
9:30 Douglas Fairbanks
10:00 Weather
10:05 Gangbusters
10:35 News, W'ther, Spts.
10:50 K.C. Sportlight
11:00 Tonight
12:00 Tomorrow

WEDNESDAY
7:00 Today
8:25 Today in K.C.
8:30 Today
8:55 Amy Vanderbilt
9:00 Ding Dong School
9:30 Ernie Kovacs
10:00 Home
11:00 Tennessee Ernie
11:30 Feather Your Nest
12:00 Almanac
12:02 Funnies
12:25 News
12:30 Korla Pandit
1:00 Kitchen Klub
1:30 M.U. Farm Show
1:45 Talk of Town
2:00 Matinee Theatre
3:00 Date With Life
3:15 First Love
3:30 Mr. Sweeney
3:45 Modern Romances
4:00 Pinky Lee
4:30 Howdy Doody
5:00 Buckskin Billy
6:00 News
6:10 Sports
6:15 Tompo
6:30 Dinah Shore
6:45 News Caravan
7:00 Bob Hope
8:00 Fireside Theatre
8:30 Circle Theater
9:30 Douglas Fairbanks
10:00 Weather
10:05 Gangbusters
10:35 News, W'ther, Spts.
10:50 K.C. Sportlight
11:00 Tonight
12:00 Tomorrow

THURSDAY
7:00 Today
8:25 Today in K.C.
8:30 Today
9:00 Ding Dong School
9:30 Ernie Kovacs
10:00 Home
11:00 Tennessee Ernie
11:30 Feather Your Nest
12:00 Almanac
12:02 Funnies
12:25 News
12:30 Korla Pandit
1:00 Kitchen Klub
1:30 World Report
1:45 Talk of Town
2:00 Matinee Theatre
3:00 Date With Life
3:15 First Love
3:30 Mr. Sweeney
3:45 Modern Romances
4:00 Pinky Lee
4:30 Howdy Doody
5:00 Buckskin Billy
6:00 News
6:10 Sports
6:15 Win, Lose, Draw
6:30 Eddie Fisher
6:45 News Caravan
7:00 Truth, Cons'quences
7:30 I Led Three Lives
8:00 I Spy
8:30 Medical Horizons
9:00 Ethel and Albert
9:30 Boston Blackie
10:00 News
10:08 Sports
10:16 Premier Playhouse
11:30 Les Paul, Mary Ford
11:35 Night Owl News

FRIDAY
7:00 Today
8:25 Today in K.C.
8:30 Today
8:55 Amy Vanderbilt
9:00 Ding Dong School
9:30 Ernie Kovacs
10:00 Home
11:00 Tennessee Ernie
11:30 Feather Your Nest
12:00 Almanac
12:02 Funnies
12:25 News
12:30 Korla Pandit
1:00 Kitchen Klub
1:30 World Report
1:45 Talk of Town
2:00 Matinee Theatre
3:00 Date With Life
3:15 First Love
3:30 Mr. Sweeney
3:45 Modern Romances
4:00 Pinky Lee
4:30 Howdy Doody
5:00 Buckskin Billy
6:00 News
6:10 Sports
6:15 Riders of P'ple Sage
6:30 Dinah Shore
6:45 News Caravan
7:00 Groucho Marx
7:30 The People's Choice
8:00 Dragnet
8:30 Theatre
9:00 Theatre
10:00 Weather
10:05 Night Out
10:35 News, W'ther, Spts.
10:50 K.C. Sportlight
11:00 Tonight
12:00 Tomorrow

SATURDAY
9:00 Children's Corner
9:30 Pinky Lee
10:00 Fury
10:30 Paul Winchell
11:00 Movie
12:15 Film
1:15 Football
3:45 East-West Game
6:30 The Big Surprise
7:00 Perry Como
8:00 People Are Funny
8:30 Star Theater
9:00 George Gobel
9:30 Your Hit Parade
10:00 Secret Journal
10:30 Les Paul, Mary Ford
10:35 News
10:40 Famous Features
10:55 Times Square
11:10 Valley of Eagles
12:00 Happy New Year
12:01 Valley of Eagles

KCMO-TV Channel 5

Kansas City

SUNDAY
8:00 Relig'us Roundtable
8:30 The Christophers
9:00 Lamp Unto My Feet
9:30 Look Up and Live
10:00 TBA
10:30 Backstage
11:00 Winky Dink & You
11:30 Wild Bill Hickok
12:00 Cowtown Camp
1:00 Ramar of Jungle
1:30 Profile
2:00 Million Dollar Movie
3:45 Telephone Spotlight
4:00 Omnibus
5:30 You Are There
6:00 Lassie
6:30 Private Secretary
7:00 Ed Sullivan
8:00 Theatre
8:30 Alfred Hitchcock
9:00 Adventure
9:30 What's My Line
10:00 The Lone Wolf
10:30 Heart of City
11:00 Studio 5

MONDAY
6:45 Sunny Side Up
7:00 Morning Show
7:25 News
7:30 Morning Show
7:55 News
8:00 Captain Kangaroo
8:25 News
8:30 Today's' Woman
9:00 Garry Moore
9:30 Arthur Godfrey
10:30 Strike It Rich
11:00 Valiant Lady
11:15 Love of Life
11:30 S'rch for Tomorrow
11:45 Guiding Light
12:00 Romper Room
12:30 Love Story
1:00 Robert Q. Lewis
1:30 House Party
2:00 The Big Payoff
2:30 Bob Crosby
3:00 Brighter Day
3:15 Secret Storm
3:30 On Your Account
4:00 Early Show
4:30 Three Star News
6:15 Doug Edwards
6:30 Robinhood
7:00 Burns & Allen
7:30 Talent Scouts
8:00 I Love Lucy
8:30 December Bride
9:00 Studio One
10:00 Sportsman's Friend
10:30 The Hunter
11:00 Studio 5

TUESDAY
6:45 Sunny Side Up
7:00 Morning Show
7:25 News
7:30 Morning Show
7:55 News
8:00 Captain Kangaroo
8:25 News
8:30 Today's Woman
9:00 Garry Moore
9:30 Arthur Godfrey
10:30 Strike It Rich
11:00 Valiant Lady
11:15 Love of Life
11:30 S'rch for Tomorrow
11:45 Guiding Light
12:00 Romper Room
12:30 Love Story
1:00 Robert Q. Lewis
1:30 House Party
2:00 The Big Payoff
2:30 Bob Crosby
3:00 Brighter Day
3:15 Secret Storm
3:30 On Your Account
4:00 Early Show
4:30 Three Star News
6:15 Doug Edwards
6:30 Brave Eagle
7:00 Arthur Godfrey
8:00 The Millionaire
8:30 I've Got a Secret
9:00 20th Cent. Fox Show
10:00 Celebrity Playhouse
10:30 Wanted
11:00 Studio 5

WEDNESDAY
6:45 Sunny Side Up
7:00 Morning Show
7:25 News
7:30 Morning Show
7:55 News
8:00 Captain Kangaroo
8:25 News
8:30 Today's Woman
9:00 Garry Moore
9:30 Arthur Godfrey
10:30 Strike It Rich
11:00 Valiant Lady
11:15 Love of Life
11:30 S'rch for Tomorrow
11:45 Guiding Light
12:00 Romper Room
12:30 Love Story
1:00 Robert Q. Lewis
1:30 House Party
2:00 The Big Payoff
2:30 Bob Crosby Show
3:00 Brighter Day
3:15 Secret Storm
3:30 On Your Account
4:00 Early Show
4:30 Three Star News
6:15 Doug Edwards
6:30 Name That Tune
7:00 Phil Silvers
7:30 Navy Log
8:00 Meet Millie
8:30 Red Skelton
9:00 $64,000 Question
9:30 Studio 57
10:00 Mr. District Att'y
10:30 Favorite Husband
11:00 Studio 5

THURSDAY
6:45 Sunny Side Up
7:00 Morning Show
7:25 News
7:30 Morning Show
7:55 News
8:00 Captain Kangaroo
8:25 News
8:30 Today's Woman
9:00 Garry Moore
9:30 Arthur Godfrey
10:30 Strike It Rich
11:00 Valiant Lady
11:15 Love of Life
11:30 S'rch for Tomorrow
11:45 Guiding Light
12:00 Romper Room
12:30 Love Story
1:00 Robert Q. Lewis
1:30 House Party
2:00 The Big Payoff
2:30 Bob Crosby Show
3:00 Brighter Day
3:15 Secret Storm
3:30 On Your Account
4:00 Early Show
4:30 Three Star News
6:15 Doug Edwards
6:30 Sgt. Preston
7:00 Bob Cummings
7:30 Climax
8:30 4-Star Playhouse
9:00 Johnny Carson
9:30 Mobile Theater
10:00 Man Behind Badge
10:30 Great Gildersleeve
11:00 Studio 5

FRIDAY
6:45 Sunny Side Up
7:00 Morning Show
7:25 News
7:30 Morning Show
7:55 News
8:00 Captain Kangaroo
8:25 News
8:30 Today's Woman
9:00 Garry Moore
9:30 Arthur Godfrey
10:30 Strike It Rich
11:00 Valiant Lady
11:15 Love of Life
11:30 S'rch for Tomorrow
11:45 Guiding Light
12:00 Romper Room
12:30 Love Story
1:00 Robert Q. Lewis
1:30 House Party
2:00 The Big Payoff
2:30 Bob Crosby
3:00 Brighter Day
3:15 Secret Storm
3:30 On Your Account
4:00 Early Show
4:30 Three Star News
6:15 Doug Edwards
6:30 Theater
7:00 Mama
7:30 Our Miss Brooks
8:00 The Crusaders
8:30 Playhouse of Stars
9:00 The Line Up
9:30 Person to Person
10:00 Badge 714
10:30 Wrestling
11:00 Studio 5

SATURDAY
8:00 Western Movie
9:00 Looney Tunes
9:30 Andy's Gang
10:00 Mighty Mouse
10:30 Texas Rangers
11:00 Big Top
12:00 Lone Ranger
12:30 Captain Midnight
1:00 Gator Bowl
3:30 Bowl for Dough
4:30 Master Builders
5:00 Abbott & Costello
5:30 Lucy Show
6:00 Annie Oakley
6:30 Beat the Clock
7:00 Stage Show
7:30 The Honeymooners
8:00 Two for the Money
8:30 Always Jan
9:00 Gunsmoke
9:30 Damon Runyon
10:00 Million Dollar Movie
11:45 Studio 5

KDRO-TV Channel 6

(Revised Schedule)

SUNDAY
8:30 Test Pattern
8:45 Cross and Crown
6:00 Judge Bean
6:30 Oral Roberts
7:00 Stars of Tomorrow
7:30 Film Fare
7:45 Old Country Church
8:00 Mo Valley Boys
8:30 The Christophers
8:45 God's Word
9:00 Sign Off

MONDAY
6:15 Test Pattern
6:30 Sports
6:35 Weather
6:40 News
6:45 Film
7:00 Prize
7:45 Fabrics in Fashion
8:00 Finale Theatre
9:30 Sign Off

TUESDAY
6:15 Test Pattern
6:30 Sports
6:35 Weather

WEDNESDAY
6:15 Test Pattern
6:30 Sports
6:35 Weather
6:40 News
6:45 Film
7:00 Chamber of Comm.
7:30 Drifting Cowboy
8:00 Finale Theater
9:00 Sign Off

THURSDAY
6:15 Test Pattern
6:30 Sports
6:35 Weather
6:40 News
6:45 Big Picture
7:15 Tom Harmon
7:30 Wrestling
8:00 This is the Life
8:30 Roller Derby
9:00 Movietime
11:00 News and Weather
11:05 Sign Off

FRIDAY
6:15 Test Pattern
6:30 Sports
6:35 Weather
6:40 News
6:45 Film Fare
7:00 Facts Forum
7:30 Play of Week
8:00 The Passerby
8:15 Dick Amos
8:30 The Hunter
9:00 Fabulous Theatre
11:00 News and Weather
11:05 Sign Of

SATURDAY
6:30 Test Pattern
6:45 RFD
7:00 Hillbilly Jamboree
8:00 The Pendulum
8:30 Mark Saber
9:00 Sign Off

KOMU-TV Channel 8

Columbia, Missouri

SUNDAY
12:00 American Forum
12:30 Town Meeting
1:00 Amer. Inventory
1:30 This Is the Life
2:00 The Christophers
2:30 Zoo Parade
3:00 Little Match Girl
3:30 Assignment India
4:30 TBA
4:30 Something Special
5:00 Meet the Press
5:30 Adventure
6:00 It's a Great Life
6:30 Highway Patrol
7:00 Variety Hour
8:00 Amos 'n Andy
8:30 Masquerade Party
9:00 Loretta Young
9:30 Justice
10:00 Lawrence Welk
11:00 Man to Man
11:15 TV Reports

MONDAY
12:45 The Early Show
2:00 Matinee Theatre
2:45 Pro Football
5:00 Time for Adventure
6:00 Missouri Forum
6:30 Weather Camera
6:35 News Camera
6:45 News Caravan
7:00 Caesar's Hour
8:00 Badge 714
8:30 Robert Montgomery
9:30 Runyon Theatre
10:00 News Roundup
10:10 Weather Roundup
10:15 Sports Roundup
10:30 Late Show
11:30 TV Reports

TUESDAY
12:45 The Early Show
2:00 Matinee Theatre
3:00 Feather Your Nest
3:30 Mr. Sweeney
3:45 Modern Romances
4:00 Pinky Lee
4:30 Howdy Doody
5:00 Time for Adventure
6:00 R.F.D.
6:30 Weather Camera
6:35 News Camera
6:45 News Caravan
7:00 Bob Hope
8:00 MGM Parade
9:00 Theater
11:00 News and Weather
11:05 Sign Off

WEDNESDAY
12:45 The Early Show
2:00 Matinee Theatre
3:00 This Is Your Music
3:30 Mr. Sweeney
3:45 Modern Romances
4:00 Pinky Lee
4:30 Howdy Doody
5:00 Time for Adventure
6:00 Not in Our Stars
6:15 Industry on Parade
6:30 Weather Camera
6:35 News Camera
6:45 News Caravan
7:00 Jungle Jim
7:30 Talent Time
8:00 Steve Donovan
8:30 Dollar a Second
9:00 This Is Your Life
9:30 Break the Bank
10:00 News Roundup
10:10 Weather Roundup
10:15 Sports Roundup
10:30 Late Show
11:30 TV Reports

THURSDAY
12:45 Early Show
2:00 Matinee Theater
3:00 Sewing Basket
3:15 Industry on Parade
3:30 Mr. Sweeney
3:45 Modern Romances
4:00 Pinky Lee
4:30 Howdy Doody
5:00 Time for Adventure
6:00 Farm, Home Show
6:30 Weather Camera
6:35 News Camera
6:45 News Caravan
7:00 You Bet Your Life
7:30 I Led Three Lives
8:00 Dragnet
8:30 Theatre
9:00 My Little Margie
9:30 Life Is Worth Living
10:00 News Roundup
10:10 Weather Roundup
10:15 Sports Roundup
10:30 Sportmen's Club
10:45 Late Show
11:30 TV Reports

FRIDAY
12:45 Early Show
2:00 Matinee Theater
3:00 Feather Your Nest
3:30 Mr. Sweeney
3:45 Modern Romances
4:00 Pinky Lee
4:30 Roy Rogers
5:00 Time for Adventure
5:30 Showcase
6:00 Rin Tin Tin
6:30 Weather Camera
6:35 News Camera
6:45 News Caravan
7:00 Gene Autry
7:30 Life of Riley
8:00 Make Room for Dad
8:30 Mark Saber
9:00 Cavalcade of Sports
Concl: Red Barber
10:00 News Roundup
10:10 Weather Roundup
10:15 Sports Roundup
10:30 Million Dollar Movie
12:00 TV Reports

SATURDAY
11:45 Big Picture
12:15 Popcorn Theater
1:15 Football
4:30 Andy's Gang
5:00 Mr. Wizard
5:30 Western Theater
6:30 Ozark Jubilee
8:00 People Are Funny
8:30 Four Star Playhouse
9:00 George Gobel
9:30 Your Hit Parade
10:00 Telenews Weekly
10:15 Cavalcade Theatre
10:45 The Late Show
12:00 TV Reports

KMBC-TV Channel 9

Kansas City

SUNDAY
10:00 Serenade
10:15 Man to Man
10:30 Industry on Parade
10:45 The Pastor
11:00 K.C. Stories
11:30 Playhouse
12:30 Backstage
12:45 Homes for Sale
1:00 Colonel March
1:30 Movie
2:30 Craig Kennedy
3:00 I Am the Law
3:30 Adventure
4:00 Super Circus
5:00 Judge Roy Bean
5:30 You Asked for It
6:00 Wreck Room
6:30 Film Festival
8:00 Chance of a Lifetime
8:30 Ted Mack
9:00 Life Begins at 80
9:30 My Little Margie
10:00 Masterpiece Movie
11:30 World Tomorrow

MONDAY
9:30 Jackpot Movie
11:00 Wonderland
12:00 "Noon"
1:00 My Little Margie
1:30 Happy Home
2:00 Story Theatre
2:30 Academy Movie
3:55 News, Weather
4:00 Bandstand
4:45 Watch the Birdie
5:00 Mickey Mouse Club
6:00 Little Rascals
6:30 Topper
7:00 Readers Digest
7:30 Voice of Firestone
8:00 I Spy
8:30 Medical Horizons
9:00 Ethel and Albert
9:30 Boston Blackie
10:00 News
10:08 Sports
10:16 Premier Playhouse
11:30 Les Paul, Mary Ford
11:35 Night Owl News

TUESDAY
9:30 Jackpot Movie
11:00 Wonderland
12:00 "Noon"
1:00 My Little Margie
1:30 Happy Home
2:00 Story Theatre
2:30 Academy Movie
3:55 News, Weather
4:00 Bandstand
4:45 Watch the Birdie
5:00 Mickey Mouse Club
6:00 Sky King
6:30 Disneyland
7:30 MGM Parade
8:00 Masquerade
8:30 Break the Bank
9:00 Fights
9:45 Sun Liners
10:00 News
10:08 Sports
10:16 Wednesday Movie
10:30 Les Paul, Mary Ford
10:35 Night Owl News

WEDNESDAY
9:30 Jackpot Movie
11:00 Wonderland
12:00 "Noon"
1:00 My Little Margie
1:30 Happy Home
2:00 Story Theatre
2:30 Academy Movie
3:55 News and Weather
4:00 Bandstand
4:45 Watch the Birdie
5:00 Mickey Mouse Club
6:00 Western Marshal
6:30 Rin Tin Tin
7:00 Ozzie and Harriet
7:30 Crossroads
8:00 Dollar a Second
8:30 The Vise
9:00 Confidential File
9:30 Dateline Europe
10:00 News
10:08 Sports
10:16 Friday Movie
11:30 Night Owl News

THURSDAY
9:30 Jackpot Movie
11:00 Wonderland
12:00 "Noon"
1:00 My Little Margie
1:30 Happy Home
2:00 Story Theatre
2:30 Academy Movie
3:55 News and Weather
4:00 Bandstand
4:30 Buffalo Bill, Jr.
5:00 Mickey Mouse Club
6:00 Wild Bill Hickok
6:30 Lone Ranger
7:00 Bishop Sheen
7:30 Stop the Music
8:00 Star Tonight
8:30 Highway Patrol
9:00 San Francisco Beat
9:30 Cross Current
10:00 News
10:08 Sports
10:16 Thursday Movie
10:30 Night Owl News

FRIDAY
9:30 Jackpot Movie
11:00 Wonderland
12:00 "Noon"
1:00 My Little Margie
1:30 Happy Home
2:00 Story Theatre
2:30 Academy Movie
3:50 Starnail
3:55 News and Weather
4:00 Bandstand
4:45 Watch the Birdie
5:00 Mickey Mouse Club
6:00 Western Marshal
6:30 Rin Tin Tin
7:00 Ozzie and Harriet
7:30 Crossroads
8:00 Dollar a Second
8:30 The Vise
9:00 Confidential File
9:30 Dateline Europe
10:00 News
10:08 Sports
10:16 Friday Movie
11:30 Night Owl News

SATURDAY
10:00 Comiclub
11:00 Six Gun Playhouse
11:30 Music for You
12:00 Cartoons
1:00 Circle 9
3:00 Favorite Story
3:30 Commander 9
4:30 Little Rascals
5:00 Bowlin' with Molen
6:00 Soldiers of Fortune
6:30 Ozark Jubilee
8:00 Lawrence Welk
9:00 Secret File
9:30 Mr. and Mrs. North
10:00 Headlines
10:30 Movie

KRCG-TV Channel 13

Jefferson City

SUNDAY
2:00 Talk Around
2:30 Adventure
3:00 Let'c Take a Trip
4:00 Studio 13
5:15 Playhouse 15
5:30 You Are There
6:00 Soldiers of Fortune
6:30 Private Secretary
7:00 Ed Sullivan Show
8:00 Theatre
8:30 Guy Lombardo
9:00 Theater
9:30 Jubie's The-A-tur

MONDAY
7:00 The Morning Show
8:00 Captain Kangaroo
9:00 Studio 13
10:30 Strike It Rich
11:00 Film
11:15 Love of Life
11:30 S'rch for Tomorrow
11:45 Guiding Light
12:00 Jack Paar
12:30 Movie
2:00 The Big Payoff
2:30 Film
3:00 Brighter Day
3:15 Secret Storm
3:30 On Your Account
4:00 Hoofbeats
5:00 Show-Me Time
5:30 Jubie's Jamboree
5:45 TBA
6:00 Cisco Kid
6:30 Corliss Archer
7:00 Famous Playhouse
7:30 Talent Scouts
8:00 I Love Lucy
8:30 December Bride
9:00 Mr. District Att'y
9:30 Favorite Story
10:00 Final Edition
10:15 Chart Room
10:20 Show

TUESDAY
7:00 The Morning Show
8:00 Captain Kangaroo
9:00 Studio 13
10:30 Strike It Rich
11:00 Film
11:15 Love of Life
11:30 S'rch for Tomorrow
11:45 Guiding Light
12:00 Jack Paar
12:30 Movie
2:00 The Big Payoff
2:30 Bob Crosby
3:00 Brighter Day
3:15 Secret Storm
3:30 On Your Account
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4:30 Show-Me Time
5:30 Jubie's Jamboree
5:45 TBA
6:00 Superman
6:30 Name That Tune
7:00 Phil Silvers
7:30 I Am the Law
8:00 Meet Millie
8:30 Favorite Husband
9:00 $64,000 Question
9:30 City Detective
10:00 Final Edition
10:15 Chart Room
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5:45 TBA
6:00 The Pastor's Study
6:30 Brave Eagle
7:00 Arthur Godfrey
7:30 Abbott and Costello
8:00 The Millionaire
8:30 I've Got a Secret
9:00 20th Cent. Fox Hr.
10:00 Final Edition
10:15 Chart Room
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5:00 Show-Me Time
5:30 Jubie's Jamboree
5:45 TBA
6:00 Wild Bill Hickok
6:30 Champion
7:00 Royal Playhouse
7:30 Follow That Man
8:00 The Crusader
8:30 The Lone Wolf
9:00 Man Behind Badge
9:30 Person to Person
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SATURDAY
4:00 Western
4:45 Studio 13
6:00 Grand Ole Opry
6:30 Western
7:30 The Honeymooners
8:00 Two for the Money
8:30 Always Jan
9:00 Gunsmoke
9:30 Wrestling
10:30 Jubie's The-a-tur

NOTICE!
We will be
CLOSED
December 26th to January 9th
Sedalia Cafe
124 East Third St.

KDRO Radio Schedule

1490 KC

SUNDAY
7:30 News
7:40 Weather
7:45 Devotions
8:00 Revival Hour
9:00 Radio Bible Class
9:30 Voice of Prophecy
10:00 Frank and Ernest
10:15 Christian Science
10:30 Sunday Serenade
11:00 News
11:15 Hillbilly Hit Parade
12:00 Les Paul-M. Ford
12:05 News
12:15 Dinner Melodies
12:30 Lutheran Hour
1:00 Pro Football
4:00 Rin Tin Tin
4:30 Wild Bill Hickok
4:55 Tomorrow s World
5:00 Walter Winchell
5:15 Headlines
5:30 Bob Considine
5:45 L. Paul - M. Ford
5:50 Sports
6:00 Panorama
6:30 Music
7:00 Hawaii Calls
7:30 Bonsoir Baris
8:00 Bill Hillman
8:30 Billboard
9:00 News
9:05 Music
10:00 Billy Graham
10:30 Healing

MONDAY
6:00 Country Journal
6:05 News
6:30 Markets
6:35 County Agent
6:45 Roundup
6:55 Weather Roundup
7:00 Devotions
7:15 Musical Clock
7:55 Sports
8:00 Robert Hurleigh
8:15 Local News
8:25 Bill Lytle
9:10 Dorothy Hopkins
9:30 News
9:35 Food for Thot
9:50 Melodic Moods
10:00 Holland Engle
10:05 Story Time
10:30 Queen for a Day
11:00 Les Higby
11:05 Music
11:15 News
11:30 Dinner Bell Revue
12:00 Cedric Foster
12:15 Dinner Bell Revue
12:45 Markets
12:50 Weather
12:55 News
1:00 Sam Hayes
1:05 Dick and Jack
2:00 News
2:05 Dick and Jack
2:30 Ruby Mercer
3:00 News
3:05 Don Warnock
4:00 News
4:05 Swing Serenade
4:55 S-C Reporter
5:00 Bob and Ray
5:15 L. Paul - M. Ford
5:50 Harry Wismer
5:55 Cecil Brown
6:00 Fulton Lewis
6:15 Sports
6:23 Weather
6:30 Gabriel Heatter
6:45 Dinner Melodies
7:00 T-Agent
7:30 Broadway Cop
8:00 Christmas Carols
8:30 Army Hour
9:00 News
9:15 1490 Club
10:55 News and Weather

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A Merry Christmas To All Democrat-Capital Want Ad Readers and Users

I Announcements

2—Cards of Thanks

I WANT TO WISH a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all my friends that were so thoughtful of me during my illness. May God bless you.
Harry R. Homans.

3—In Memoriam

IN LOVING MEMORY of J. B. (Doc) Greer, who passed away 13 years ago today, December 24, 1942:
The years of your life were numbered
When the messenger whispered low.
The master has come and called for you
And you answered, I'm ready to go.
Sadly missed by wife,
Mrs. J. B. Greer and Family.

7—Personals

SEDALIA CAB, Phone 990 or 318 or 10.

SEE OR CALL your Rawleigh dealer, Mrs. Pat Pummill, 215 South Moniteau, Phone 3814.

PICTURE FRAMING: Experienced workmanship, reasonable. Bowman's 608 South Ohio. Phone 77.

NEW YEAR'S PARTY Assortment. Union made advertising matches, calendars Shorty Clark, Route 3, Sedalia 2201.

YOU CALL, WE HAUL Truck Line. We haul anything, anytime, anywhere. Hollie Shull, Manager. Phone 6674.

KANSAS CITY STAR, a great newspaper $1.74 per month, delivered each morning, evening and Sundays. For the latest news call Harry Brougher Phone 292.

LARGEST SELECTION of watches and diamonds in Sedalia. Elgin, Bulova, Hamilton, Wyler watches. No money down, 50c per week, no carrying charge. Reed and Son Jewlers, 309 Ohio Phone 82.

AUTHORIZED SUNBEAM, Remington, Schick, Norelco razors. Up to $7.50 trade-ins. 20-day free trial period $1.00 down, 50c weekly. No carrying charge. Reed and Son Jewelers, 309 South Ohio Sedalia, Missouri Phone 82.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE
For Entire Family
Saturday Night, December 31
Convention Hall
Liberty Park
Everyone Welcome
by Pettis County Ramblers

VETERANS ATTENTION

An assistant State Service Officer will be in the Office of the Superintendent of Schools in the Courthouse at Sedalia every Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. to assist veterans and their dependents in filing for any benefits due them as a result of their service in any war.

PHONE 374 or 6412

10—Strayed, Lost, Found

LOST: BILLFOLD containing $50, at J & M. Trading Company. Reward. Phillip Jones, Route 2. Sedalia 5348-R-2.

II Automotive

11—Automobiles for Sale

1949 CHEVROLET, 4-door deluxe, extra good. 1221 East 11th.

1951 CADILLAC SEDAN, offered at wholesale price. Janssen's Motors, 540 East 3rd.

4-DOOR BUICK Super Riveria, 24,000 actual miles. One owner. Radio, heater, dynaflow. Phone 4330.

MY EQUITY in 1955 Oldsmobile 88 Deluxe, $100. And you take over payments. No dealer. Phone 1596 after 5 p.m.

1953 CHEVROLET, 1951 Dodge, Two 1951 Fords, 1950 Chevrolet Sedan Delivery, 1947 Chevrolet, 1949 G.M.C. ¾ ton, McCown's Used Cars, 1400 North Grand. Phone 4012.

11A—House Trailers for Sale

HOUSE TRAILERS, new and used. Easy terms, 1 to 5 years. Liberal trade-in. We trade for furniture or anything of any value. Red Arrow Trailer Company, 2500 West Boadway. Phone 4259.

13—Auto Accessories, Tires, Parts

CAR HEATER, hot water heater $5. Phone 3634.

TRUCK GRAIN BED, 8 feet long, 6½ feet wide. 4 feet high, inside dimensions. Bed like new. Call 4290.

14—Garages—Autos for Hire

SPEEDOMETERS
Repaired and Rebuilt
HILLMAN'S
BATTERY and ELECTRIC
420 South Osage Phone 91

16—Repairing—Service Stations

VISUALINER WHEEL ALIGNMENT—Ralph's Conoco Service, 3268 West Highway 50 and 65 Junction. Free inspection.

Thanks, folks for your wonderful patronage during the past year — and a
MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS
to you one and all
SHOEMAKER
Standard Service
12th and Marshall

17—Wanted—Automotive

WANTED TO BUY: Junk cars. Phone 1078.

III—Business Service

18—Business Services Offered

RADIO REPAIRING at Cecil's Bicycle Shop, 704 South Ohio. 3987

PEABODY RADIO SERVICE 34 years at 1319 South Osage Phone 854

SEPTIC TANKS cleaned E. A. Esser, 305 East 26th. Phone 862, Sedalia, Missouri.

SAWS filed and sharpened. Knives and scissors Greene's Blacksmith Shop, 315 East Main Phone 296.

GEHLE Ornamental Iron Construction Company. Welding, hard surfacing. South 65 at 28th. Phone 6344-W

GUNS CLEANED, REPAIRED Radios repaired Guns reblued not method. B and J, 232 South Missouri.

RADIO AND TELEVISION REPAIR: All work guaranteed Cecil's, 700 South Ohio Phone 3987

SEWING MACHINE repairing all makes and models. Work guaranteed. Firsick, 1894 South Osage, Phone 2337-J

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SHOEMAKER
Standard Service
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18—Business Services Offered (Continued)

SEWER SERVICE: Sewers opened and cleaned. septic tanks cleaned. Sinks, drains electrically opened. Phone 2720.

POST HOLE DIGGING, grading, high loading, back filling, bulldozing, evergreens, yard seeding. Phone 6205-J.

WASHER SERVICE, Wringer rolls, parts, belts. We repair all makes. Pick up, deliver. Burkholder's, 202 Ohio. Phone 114.

DITCH DIGGING, 3 to 30 inches in width down to 14½ feet deep. Basements, dragline and crane work. Leon Swope. 1820 West 5th. Phone 5607.

HOME PLAN SERVICE, complete, including free blueprint and help in selecting best builder for your job. Johns Lumber Company, 401 West 2nd. Phone 11.

PASSENGER CAR BRAKE LINING installed, $12.50. Truck and trailer lining installed at discount. Siegel Brake and Motor Company, West Highway 50. Phone 276.

ARNETT RADIO and Television Service. Veteran. Guaranteed work, all makes. Phone Green Ridge 1657 collect.

ELECTRIC MOTORS REPAIRED, rebuilt. Work guaranteed. Cole's Electric Motor Service, 420 South Osage Phone 410.

GLASS HEADQUARTERS for auto glass, store fronts, windows, glass mirrors, dresser tops. Dugan's. 116 East 5th. Phone 142.

UPHOLSTERING, slipcovers, caning. Draperies. John Miller's Upholstering Shop. 613 South Engineer. Phone 2295, except Thursday.

EXPERT
TV SERVICE
MONTGOMERY WARD
Service Dept.
PHONE 3800

FOR TERMITE TROUBLES
See
E. M. JOHNSON
242 South Stewart
Free Inspection
Reasonable Price
Five Year Guarantee

WATCH, CLOCK and JEWELRY REPAIRING
I buy old gold.
G. W. CHAMBERS
227 Gordon Bldg.

19—Building and Construction

CARPENTER, Painting and repair work. Guy Brownfield. Phone 2228.

CARPENTER WORK, sagging floors and cracked walls corrected. Phone 3312-M.

CONCRETE SIDE WALKS, concrete walls, steps and floors. Charlie Cochran, Phone 1636-J.

CHIMNEY, ROOFING, cement work, remodeling and painting. J. M. Holloway, 311 West 9th. Phone 5680.

ASBESTOS SIDING, roofing, painting and general repair work. Wesley Copas, 301 East 27th. Phone 1702-R.

FENCE, CYCLONE, residential, industrial, expert erection. F.H.A. terms, no down payment. Free estimate. Call 670.

24—Laundering

LAUNDRY, 2003 West Broadway, Phone 2543.

WASHING AND IRONING wanted. 215 East Saline.

IRONINGS WANTED, 1710 South Ohio, Phone 6672.

WASHINGS AND IRONINGS wanted. 1412 South Quincy. Phone 3496-R.

FORD LAUNDRY, 715 West 16th, Wash-Dry-Fold-Iron. Starching and bleaching free. Phone 3257.

BOULEVARD LAUNDRY, 716 State Fair Boulevard Wash, dry fold. Each wash done separately. Free bleaching, startching. Also dry cleaning. Phone 3245.

25—Moving, Trucking, Storage

DAN DOTY'S MID STATE STORAGE: Dependable service. Storage packing and crating. Insured movers. Local or long distance. Lamine and Missouri Pacific Track. Phone 946.

26—Painting, Papering, Decorating

PAPER HANGING, painting, carpenter work wanted. Robert Wagner, Phone 6672 or 6043-W

EXPERIENCED PAINTER, interior and exterior. Free estimates, work guaranteed. William L. Hardin, Phone 2345.

29—Repairing and Refinishing

HIGH GRADE FURNITURE refinishing, all work guaranteed. 214 West 3rd. Phone 2853-J. J. R. Starkey.

30A—Tailoring

EXPERT MENDING, alterations and reweaving at reasonable cost. Grand Cleaners. Phone 5013.

REWEAVING, Repairing. Alterations, Burns, Moth Holes, Tears. Prices reasonable. Clark, 1210½ West Sixth Street.

IV—Employment

32—Help Wanted—Female

EXPERIENCED WAITRESS wanted. Apply in person. Dan's Restaurant.

EXPERIENCED SECRETARY with excellent shorthand speed. Start $175 to $200 month. Write box 913 Democrat.

EXPERIENCED BOOKKEEPER, double entry system. Light stenographic. Permanent employment. Must know general ledger posting. Some knowledge of payroll accounting. Write Box 914, care Democrat.

SECRETARY: Permanent position as secretary to Production Manager. Must be excellent stenographer, well experienced in secretarial duties. Shorthand required. Excellent opportunity, interesting duties, security and advancement. Many employee benefits. Five day week. Call 6111, National Engineering & Manufacturing Company, for appointment.

33—Help Wanted—Male

SHEET METAL LAYOUT MAN for experimental department. Must be able to take given idea and make up complete model of new products. Knowledge of electricity required. For appointment call National Engineering, Sedalia 6111.

SALES EXECUTIVE POSITION

Are you looking for a position where your income can be between $7,000 - $10,000 yearly. Matching guaranteed income. Immediate opening due to our expansion program of introducing new product may be your opportunity. Age 26-35. Must own car. Direct selling experience with brushes, books, silver, vacuum cleaners, china or cookware necessary. No investment. Must enjoy working with people and be capable of supervising sales organization. For personal interview write Box 916 care Democrat.

Democrat-Capital Class Ads Are **Workers You Can Afford To Hire.**

33—Help Wanted—Male (Continued)

MARRIED MAN
to
Work on Farm
J. P. LAMY
Phone 2161

DISTRICT SALES REPRESENTATIVE

wanted for this area. We have the finest opportunity avaliable. No experience required. Here is our offer to you:
CAR ALLOWANCE (OR CAR FURNISHED)
EXPENSES PAID — Liberal expenses advanced weekly.
GUARANTEED INCOME—To assure you a substantial net income from the very beginning.
HIGH COMMISSIONS—Same high commissions paid on mail orders and written orders.
LIMITED TRAVELING—You will spend most of your evenings at home and you will never be far from home.
FIVE DAY WEEK—No calls required on Saturdays. Only 240 working days per year.
THOROUGH TRAINING—At our expense. We will thoroughly prepare you to assume your responsibilities within 4 to 6 weeks.
30-DAY VACATION—No traveling required during most of December and until after the New Year holidays.
If you are between 23 and 35 and seriously desire a merchandising career, write for application to P. O. Box 177, Memphis, Tenn.
ARTHUR FULMER
Deluxe Automobile Seat Covers
MEMPHIS
LITTLE ROCK — DALLAS
ST. LOUIS — CHARLOTTE
LOUISVILLE — INDIANAPOLIS

36—Situations Wanted—Female

BABY SITTING wanted Phone 5546

WILL CARE FOR LADY in my home. Bedfast or otherwise. Phone 4985-W.

PRIVATE CHILD NURSERY, day or hour. Attention at all times. 1703 West 16th. Phone 6153-R.

37—Situations Wanted—Male

LIVESTOCK HAULING wanted. From 1 head to a full load. H. H. Nutt. Phone 5354-W-1.

V—Financial

38—Business Opportunities

GROW MUSHROOMS. Cellar, shed. Spare, full time, year round. We pay $3.50 pound. We paid Babbitt $4,165 in few weeks. Free book. Mushrooms, Department 122, 2954 Admiral Way, Seattle, Washington.

40—Money to Loan—Mortgages

LOANS, Farm and city property, three to twenty years. Free Inspection W. D. Smith, 647.

4% INTEREST loans on farms. Inquire now while this rate available. Perry Edde, Secretary, National Farm Loan Association.

VII—Live Stock

47—Dogs, Cats, Other Pets

FREE: 3 PUPPIES, mixed breed. Ready to wean. Phone 5487.

PEKINGESE PUPS, two, registered. Agnes Harvey, Windsor, Missouri. ½ mile south on 52 Highway.

REGISTERED CHIHUAHUA PUPPIES for sale, male, 6 weeks old, beautiful markings. Phone 600.

PARAKEET PETS, beautiful healthy males, registered bands. Training leaflets furnished. Visit aviary, 710 West 5th.

48—Horses, Cattle, Other Stock

14 BLACK ANGUS Steers. Weight around 500 pounds. Dyer and Wiskur. Phone 1140 Sedalia or 37-F-75 Windsor.

HAMPSHIRE MALE HOG, large. From registered stock. W. T. Patrick. Phone LaMonte Diamond 7-5937 or Diamond 7-5948

ANY OR ALL of 300 bred Western Ewes, black face bucks, to lamb January and February. Emmett Walker, Marshall Junction.

DUROC BOAR, ready for spring breeding with or without papers. John Neitzert, Route 2. ½ mile North Flat Creek Baptist Church.

48B—Milk for Sale

EGG-NOG and Egg-Nog ice cream. Also Christmas novelties. Freese-Rissler Dairy, Main and Prospect.

GRADE A WHOLE MILK, pasteurized, homogenized. Gallon 65c, ½ gallon, 33c; meets state and county requirements. Full line dairy products. Vanilla freeze, ½ gallon 49c. Cottage cheese, quart 35c. Buttermilk, whipping and coffee cream. Open to 9 p.m. Freese-Rissler Dairy, Main and Prospect.

48C—Breeding Service

CURTIS CANDY artificial breeding. Brady and Smith, Phone 5186-M-2.

ARTIFICIAL BREEDING: American Breeder Service. For service call R. H. Hirni, Route 4, Sedalia, 5351-W-73.

49—Poultry and Supplies

HENS WANTED Phone 141

GEESE, 40 head. Fancy young bakers. 613 West Pettis.

WILL DRESS CHICKENS and turkeys. 1305 West 16th, Phone 4057.

20 RED HENS $1.25 each. 30 bushel barley .80c bushel. Mrs. Ruth Spragg, Sedalia, Missouri.

CORN FATTENED TURKEYS, young, 45c and 50c pound on foot. Free delivery. Dressing $1. 1217-W

50—Wanted—Livestock

HOGS, serum and feeders. 30 to 110 pounds. All kinds of stock cattle. Chancey, 5111-W-3.

VIII—Merchandise

51—Articles for Sale

LIONEL TRAIN SET, complete. Board and track complete. Sacrifice $50. Phone 600.

ORNAMENTAL IRON hand railing. Clothes line posts. Yard lights. Name number plates. Fence. Phone 670.

Oh Boy! it's Christmas Again

Yes, it's Christmas: Wondrous time of the year—May it bring, all that's good—in health, and luck, and cheer!

BURKHOLDER'S
APPLIANCE OUTLET
118 West 2nd Phone 787

VIII—Merchandise (Continued)

51—Articles for Sale (Continued)

GIRLS SCHWINN BICYCLE, 20 gallon American gas water heater. Phone 935-J after 5 p. m.

PRESSURE COOKER, new. Bird cage and stand. Twin bed, twin innerspring mattress and springs 3869.

CHRISTMAS TREES, all sizes, your choice $1. Open evenings, Kilroys, City Limits. Highway 50 West.

51C—Antiques

ANTIQUE SHOP, 804 West 16th, has that unusual Christmas present. 9 to 9. Phone 1472.

ANTIQUES: Dolls, dishes lamps. Buy or sell. Evenings by appointment. 810 West Broadway, Phone 2926.

LITTLE HOUSE ANTIQUES, on North Grand at City Limits. General line of Antiques. Buy and sell. Phone 5563. Betty Van Dyne.

53—Building Materials

100 USED STORM SASH. Phone 224 or 2442.

JOHNS MANVILLE roofing, siding, insulation. Phone 2003 or 5519. Curtis Schupbach, 513 South Lamine.

NATIVE OAK LUMBER, all kinds of building material. Furnell Log and Lumber Company, Phone 6424.

AGRICULTURAL LIME AND ROCK at quarry 3 miles west of Main Street Road or delivered. Howard Construction Company. Phone 515.

JOHNS MANVILLE
Certified Roofing —
Siding — Insulation —
Applied by approved contractor
Free Information
PHONE 2003 or 5519
Curtis Schupbach
513 South Lamine

55A—Farm Equipment

SAVE ON MANY FARM and HOME NEEDS

2 M.G. Mall Chain saw. 5½ HP Automatic Clutch; Automatic Oiler. 24 inch blade,
$320

1 M.G. 3½ H.P. Mall Chain Saw. Automatic oiler; automatic clutch. 24 inch blade,
$280

4 M.G. Mall Chain Saw. Direct drive. 24 inch,
$257.50

MA-10, 10 inch Wards Grain Buster Hammermill. Complete with Dust Collector.
$157

MA-15, 15 inch Hammermill,
$204

½ H.P. Rite Way Milker Pump outfit,
$139

35 lb. Rite Way Swing Milker Unit,
$107.50

4 Bulb Infra Red Chick Brooder for 300 to 400 Chicks: Three Bulbs. Thermostat Controlled,
$11.45

6 Bulb size for 500 Chicks, Thermostat controlled,
$20.75

4 Foot — all Steel Hog Feeder, Holds 20 bushels, 8 feeding doors,
$54.50

6 foot size holds 30 bushels,
$71.50

FREE ESTIMATE on Chain Link or Lawn Fence Installed.

MONTGOMERY WARD
225 South Osage Phone 3800

56—Fuel Feed Fertlizers

WINDSOR LUMP COAL. Phone 5044 or 4491

DRY AND GREEN WOOD, will cut special for fireplaces. Phone 4169.

ALFALFA HAY for sale, baled, delivered. Phone 2654-W before 8 a.m. or after 5 p.m.

FEED FERTILIZER, rock phosphate and trucking - Fowler Service Store, Hughesville Phone 5320-J-1 or Square Deal Produce. 220 West Main 836

57—Good Things to Eat

FRESH PORK, hams, shoulders, sides, loins, ribs and sausage. Trimmed for curing. Phone 5288-M-2.

57A—Fruits and Vegetables

ORANGES	$2.25 bu.
½ bu. $1.25	2 doz. 49c
Naval Oranges	$2.75 bu.
½ bu. $1.50	49c doz. & up
Apples, Jonathans	$3.50 bu.
and $4 bu.	
Red Delicious	$4 bu.
Golden Delicious	$4.25 bu.
All Apples	2 lbs. 25c
Bananas	15c lb.
Grapes	2 lbs. 25c
Cranberries	20c pkg.
Pears	15c lb.
Grapefruit	10 for 49c
Tomatoes	15c lb.
Celery	15c bunch
Lettuce	15c head

Assorted Candies and nuts.

Thurman's Fruit Mkt.
AND GROCERIES
302 East 16th St. Phone 2950

58—Home-made Things

PILLOW CASES, crochet doilies, tea towels. 408 West 6th.

59—Household Goods

SEARS SEWING MACHINE, cabinet model. Like new, guaranteed. $85. Phone 6782.

LIVING ROOM SUITE, 3-piece. Several odd chairs and kitchen chairs. See at 220 West 16th after 5:30 p.m.

VIII—Merchandise

59—Household Goods (Continued)

VENETIAN BLINDS: New sensational Ezi Kleen. Makes cleaning easy. Callies Furniture. 203 West Main. 412.

USED ELECTRIC REFRIGERATORS and ranges. Must sell to make room for other merchandise. All in good condition, some excellent. Missouri Public Service, 400 South Ohio, Phone 770.

59A—Furniture to Rent

SIMMONS ADJUSTABLE hospital beds and wheel chairs for rent Callies Furniture Company 203 West Main.

62—Musical Merchandise

NEW AND USED PIANOS: Home electric organs. Shaw Music Company 702 South Ohio. Phone 684.

BALDWIN PIANOS—and organs. Band instruments, new and used, sold, rented and repaired. Jefferson Piano Company, 209 East 2nd, Phone 599.

66—Wanted to Buy

WANTED: Good used furniture. Phone 2642-J.

WANTED: GOOD USED FURNITURE. Mindell, 301 West Main. Phone 59.

GOOD USED FURNITURE wanted. Simon Kanter, 213 West Main, Phone 269.

GUNS WANTED: Old and modern guns. Bring to Gun Shop, 218 East 3rd, Phone 6750.

WE BUY SCRAP IRON, batteries, radiators. McCown Brothers Auto Parts, 1400 North Grand Phone 4012.

WANTED: Used guns, Indian relics. Radio and Television repair. Ellison's Radio Service, 211 West Main.

WANTED: Good used coal furnace, large size (27 inch pipeless preferred). Send price to C. T. Waisner, Jr., Edwards, Missouri.

IX—Rooms and Board

67—Rooms with Board

ROOM AND BOARD in modern home. Phone 1538.

CONGENIAL CONVALESCENTS With all family privileges, good care. Phone 2778.

68—Rooms without Board

SLEEPING ROOMS for men. 615 West Broadway.

NICE ROOM for working girl. 408 West 4th.

72—Where to Stop in Town

$5.00 PER WEEK
With Private Bath, $9 Week
MILNER HOTEL
Phone 210 201 East 2nd St.

X—Real Estate for Rent

74—Apartment and Flats

2 ROOM apartment. 212½ South Ohio. Phone 5653.

2 ROOMS, furnished, private bath, close in. Phone 5797.

TWO FURNISHED ROOMS, utilities paid. Adults only. Phone 4379.

ONE 3-ROOM furnished apartment, close in. Employed adults. 408 East 4th.

TWO LARGE ROOMS, furnished. Downstairs. Utilities. 215 South Grand.

2 ROOMS and kitchenette, unfurnished, utilities paid. Private entrance, 407 West 10th, first floor.

4 ROOM APARTMENT, unfurnished, private bath, close in. Phone 2200 after 4 p.m.

THREE ROOM furnished apartment. Downstairs. Adults only. Phone 1744-J or 3238.

3 ROOMS, bath, furnished and unfurnished apartment. Utilities paid. Call 2816 or 22.

6 ROOM unfurnished, desirable apartment. Available now. 1309 West 3rd, Phone 337 or 1769.

FOUR ROOMS DOWN, unfurnished, modern. Garage. 1307 West 3rd. Mr. Menefee, Phone 1036.

DESIRABLE 3 room unfurnished apartment. In duplex, 106 South Prospect. Phone 1282 or 4803-J.

5 ROOMS, UP, unfurnished, modern, heat and water furnished. 800 West 7th. Possession now. Menefee, 1036.

NICE 5 ROOM upper, modern, unfurnished apartment, gas furnace. Available January 1st. Phone 2707.

UPSTAIRS, clean, furnished, 3 room modern apartment, utilities paid. Private entrance. Adults. Phone 1493.

SMALL, THREE ROOM apartment. Clean. Unfurnished. Private. All modern. Adults only. 1814 East 5th.

TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT, unfurnished, close-in. Donnohue Loan and Investment Company, 410 South Ohio. Phone 6.

FOR RENT
Unfurnished Apartments
2—Bedrooms $65
3—Bedrooms $75
Hillcrest Properties
West Third Street
For Rentals See
Donnohue Loan and Investment Co.
410 South Ohio Sedalia, Mo.

75-A—Business Places for Lease

BUSINESS BUILDING for lease, one mile from Sedalia on South 65. Phone 5592.

77—Houses for Rent

5 ROOM modern, unfurnished, garage, utility room. Phone 442.

NEW 3 BEDROOM house. Rainbow Addition. Phone 48 or 3578

6 ROOM HOUSE, modern, smoke house, new yard fence. Inquire East End Grill. 500 South Engineer.

TWO BEDROOM MODERN HOME, unfurnished. Close to school, children welcome. $65. Immediate possession. Phone 4287.

3 BEDROOM HOUSE unfurnished, close-in. Near Sacred Heart and Mark Twain Schools. Immediate possession. Inquire at 408 East 4th.

78—Offices and Desk Room

IDEALLY SITUATED on Ohio Street, will redecorate if desired. Reasonable. Phone 4814 or 4418-J.

XI—Real Estate for Sale

82A—Business for Sale

FILLING STATION and garage, doing good business on highway 50. Will sell for inventory. 2302-J.

84—Houses for Sale

SEVEN ROOM HOUSE all modern, close-in. Phone 4599.

8 ROOM HOUSE, modern, and building lot for sale or trade. Phone 4230.

6 ROOM BRICK, 3 bedroom, garage, basement, gas heat. Corner lot. Southwest. Phone 4455.

BEST BUY of the year. Thoroughly modern small house in Windsor. Living room, bedroom, kitchen, dining nook, large dressing room or nursery. Gas heat, beautiful large lot, good residential section. Less than $3,500. $350 down. Balance like rent. Hurry! Davis, Realtor, Windsor, Missouri. Phone 81.

XI—Real Estate for Sale

84—Houses for Sale (Continued)

BY OWNER: Nice 4 room modern house. Good condition. Gas heat. Good location. Near school. Priced to sell. Investigate. 1314 South Park.

$1,000 — $1,500
To Qualified G.I.'s
Buys 3 Bedroom Brick
Veneer Homes
In East and West Sedalia
STEPHENSON CONSTRUCTION CO.
3100 South Limit
Phone 6369 or 5643

We Wish You One and All A MERRY CHRISTMAS

We thank you for the pleasure we have enjoyed in serving your real estate needs during 1955.

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Sedalia, Mo.
Mattie M. Switzer, Saleslad
Tom Boicourt, Salesman and Auctioneer.

To One and All a Hardy MERRY CHRISTMAS

And, we add our greetings, too — to tell all our many friends — our good wishes for a very pleasant holiday! In the joyous spirit of the season, we are grateful for the opportunity to again express our appreciation for your friendly patronage . . .

ARON R. SMITH Agency
505 South Ohio Phone 1106

SEASONS GREETINGS

To all our friends and patrons, our wishes for a Christmas season that really rings the bell in every way. May its happiness brighten all the days ahead.

WESTSIDE REALTY
610 West 16th Phone 665
George Miller, Realtor
Phone 4089
E. Miller, Phone 5360-M-2

JOYOUS NOEL

Just an old fashioned wish to our many fine friends for a holiday season that is bright 'n cheerful — simply overflowing with joy, good fellowship, happiness and health.

BROWN REAL ESTATE
612 So. Ohio Phone 213
L. E. Brown, Broker, Phone 5936.
D. L. Brown, Salesman, Phone 6406
Ted Maloney, Salesman, Phone 6490

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And The Price Is Right!
NEW DUPLEX —

Built late in 1954 — located on State Fair Boulevard. This duplex has 5 large rooms on each side. (This duplex has approximately 2,000 square feet, which would be 20 rooms size 10 feet by 10 feet). Live in comfort on one side, rent the other side which will pay for this property. Two Lennox furnaces, 2 bath rooms, 2 garbage disposals — the same as two new homes located in choice location. Close to grocery store, school bus stop. This property has been approved for FHA loan. Call now and inspect — make offer. Trade in your property — which will make the down payment or more.

DAVID HIERONYMUS REALTOR
113 South Ohio—Phone 93
Home Phone 799
Mary Hieronymus—Saleslady
Phone 4713

85—Lots for Sale

LOTS FOR SALE, all utilities. Phone 5888-J.

OR TRADE—Lot and building, also trailer. Can be sold separately. Phone 6181.

CHOICE LOTS in Rainbow Addition. Paved streets, city sewer, water mains. Phone 48 or 3578.

89—Wanted—Real Estate

20 TO 40 ACRES, improved or unimproved. State price and size. Write Box 915, care Democrat.

Democrat Class Ads Get Results

QUICKIES By Ken Reynolds

". . . If you catch any golf balls — they're the ones I got in the Democrat-Capital Want Ads!"

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the annual Stockholders meeting of The Smithton Bank will be held at its banking room in the City of Smithton, Missouri, on the third day of January, 1956. Said meeting will be convened at 9 o'clock A.M. and will continue at least three hours unless the object for which such meeting is called be accomplished sooner. The purpose for which the meeting is called is to elect five directors to serve during the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business which may properly come before the meeting.
E. R. KNOX, President.
(3xDC—12-18, 25; 1-1)

No. 11,276
EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Notice Is Hereby Given, that Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Elma Marshall Burlette, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 8th day of December, 1955, by the Probate Court of Pettis County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said Estate are required to exhibit them for allowance to the Executor within six months after the date of said letters or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of this publication, they shall be forever barred.

This 8th day of December, 1955.
LEO GEORGE BURLETTE,
Executor.

Attested by me this 8th day of December, 1955.
(Seal) A. M. HARLAN,
Judge of Probate Court.
Wm. K. Gibson, Attorney.
(4xDC—12-11, 18, 25; 1-1)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON REZONING APPLICATION

WHEREAS the Zoning and Planning Commission and the City Council of Sedalia, Missouri, have received application from ARTHUR W. KLANG, Sedalia, Missouri, owner of the following described real estate: Beginning at the intersection of the North line of Sixteenth Street and the East line of the right-of-way of the Sedalia, Warsaw and Southwestern Railroad now the Missouri Pacific Railroad Co., running thence North along the East line of said Railroad right-of-way 600 feet to the South line of Fourteenth Street, thence East along the South line of said Fourteenth Street 168 feet, thence South 270 feet, thence East 102 feet to the West line of Washington Avenue, thence South 330 feet to the North line of Sixteenth Street, thence West along the North line of said 16th Street 270 feet to the place of beginning; being part of the SW¼ of the SW¼ of Section 3, Township 45 North, of Range 21 West of the 5th P. M., in the City of Sedalia, Mo. Pettis County, requesting that said real estate be changed and rezoned from:
R-2 (2 family dwelling) to
M-1 (Light Industry)
and that said application be acted upon as provided in Ordinance No. 4479; therefore, in compliance with Sections No. 7415 and 7416 R.S. Missouri, 1939, other applicable statutes, and said Zoning Ordinance No. 4479, said Zoning and Planning Commission will meet in the Council Chamber, City Hall Building, Sedalia, Missouri, at 7:30 o'clock P.M. on Thursday night, December 29, 1955, for the purpose of a public hearing in relation to said application to change the zone and rezone said real estate, at which time and place parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard.

Dated at Sedalia, Missouri, this 9th day of December, A.D. 1955.
THE ZONING AND PLANNING COMMISSION,
City of Sedalia, Missouri.
By S. J. Timborious, Chairman.
CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI,
By JULIAN H. BAGBY, Mayor.
ATTEST with the Seal of said City:
(Seal) W. C. REAM, City Clerk.
(DC—12-11 - 12-28)

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

Democrat-Capital want ads are accepted Monday through Friday until 10 a.m. for publication in the Democrat that day and Capital the following morning. Sunday Democrat want ads are accepted until 2:30 p.m. Saturday afternoon preceding.

	1 day	3 days	6 days
Up to 15 words	$ .87	$1.68	$2.10
16 to 20 words	1.12	2.24	2.80
21 to 25 words	1.40	2.80	3.50
26 to 30 words	1.68	3.36	4.20
31 to 35 word	1.96	3.92	4.90

Card of Thanks 35c per line per day Rates quoted are for consecutive insertions. Rate for greater number of words on request.

CLASSIFIED DISPLAY RATE:
$1.26 per column inch each insertion.

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Applies to advertisers living outside Sedalia primary trade area: 6c per word per insertion; 24c per word for six consecutive insertions. Classified display $1.26 per column inch.

All want ads are carried as cash items. Those accepted over the telephone must be paid within one week. Contract accounts must be paid before 15th of month.

Main Speaker of State GOP Dinner Named

MARYVILLE, Mo. (AP) — Murray Colbert, chairman of the Missouri Agriculture Stabilization Committee, was announced today as the main speaker for a $10-a-plate Republican fund-raising dinner here Jan. 20.

Last year the Nodaway County ASC resigned in a group and protested against Colbert's policies. Sen. Symington (D-Mo) also criticized Colbert's ASC work at a Democratic district meeting Dec. 3.

While no announcement was made of hat Colbert will talk about here, observers thought he might reply to critics.

Plans Happy Christmas Weekend With Friends

GALVESTON, Tex. (AP)—No longer in pain and feeling "mighty good," Babe Didrikson Zaharias plans a happy Christmas weekend with long-time friends.

The famed woman athlete, back in the hospital recently after her second bout with cancer, got spruced up for the holiday season by having her first permanent wave and mani cure in eight months.

The Babe was to be flown today to Fort Worth to be a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bowen.

Babe and her husband, George, did not send out Christmas cards this season because she had been in the hopital since mid-November. So he asked newspapermen to "wish everyone a big, Merry Christmas" for her.

RESOLUTION NO. 234

A RESOLUTION declaring it necessary to bring to the established grade all that part of Wagner Avenue for the purpose of constructing and to construct a concrete curb and gutter on both sides of Wagner Avenue from the south line of 16th Street thence south on both sides to and around the cul-de-sac or turn-around, all public streets within the City of Sedalia, Missouri.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Sedalia, Missouri, as follows:

SECTION 1. The Council of the City of Sedalia, Missouri, finds, deems and declares it to be necessary to bring to the established grade all that part of Wagner Avenue from the south line of 16th Street thence south on both sides to and around the cul-de-sac or turn-around, for the purpose of constructing and to construct a concrete curb and gutter on both sides of Wagner Avenue from the south line of 16th Street thence south on both sides to and around the cul-de-sac or turn-around, all public streets within the said City of Sedalia, according to the plans and specifications to be prepared by the City Engineer of said City, and to be on file with the City Clerk of said City on or before the 9th day of January, 1956.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the curbing and guttering herein provided for shall include all curbs and gutters and all returns of said curb and gutter at all intersections of streets and alleys, if any.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Engineer of said City of Sedalia shall prepare plans and specifications for said work and improvement together with an estimate of the cost thereof, and shall file the same with the City Clerk of said City of Sedalia on or before the 9th day of January, 1956.

SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the cost of said improvement shall be paid by special assessment against the lots and lands fronting or abutting on either side of said part of Wagner Avenue, a public street within said city as aforesaid, to be so improved and on said improvements being completed, special tax bills shall be issued against said lots and lands chargeable with the cost of said improvement, and that the cost of bringing said part of said Wagner Avenue to the established grade shall be included in the special assessment for the paying for and bringing of said street to the established grade and curbing and guttering all that part of said Wagner Avenue, in the City of Sedalia, in manner and form as hereinbefore set forth.

SECTION 5. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be published for seven (7) consecutive insertions in the Sedalia Democrat-Capital, a daily newspaper of general circulation printed and published in said City of Sedalia, Missouri.

PASSED by the Council of the City of Sedalia, Missouri, on the 19th day of December, 1955.
JULIAN H. BAGBY,
President of the Council.
APPROVED by the Mayor of said City on this 20th day of December, 1955.
JULIAN H. BAGBY,
Mayor.
ATTEST with the Seal of said City:
(Seal) W. C. REAM, City Clerk.
(7xDC—12-22, 23, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30)

LODGE NOTICES

O.O.F. Neapolis Lodge No. 153 meets every ..., 7:30 p.m., December 27 regular lodge. Visitors welcome.
O. Blankenship, N. G.
H. Jett, F. S.

Sedalia Chapter No. 57, O. E. S. will meet in stated meeting Tuesday, December 27, at 7:30 p. m. Visiting members welcome. Degrees and social session.
Genevieve Maune, W. H.
Irene Aulgur, Sec'y.

OWN YOUR OWN HOME

2 bedroom, 1 year old, Southwest location, $8500.00.

5 rooms and bath, new roof, corner lot. South, $7500.00.

New 3 bedroom brick veneer, carport, desirable corner location southwest. Have FHA appraisal.
Good building lots Southwest, $1000 each.

360 Acre Farm, 5 room house, 2 barns, well fenced, large spring fed pond, extra good crop land. This is one of the best buys we have

Loneliest Man in All Palestine Christmas Tries to Keep Peace

JERUSALEM, Jordan Sector (AP) —One of the loneliest men in Palestine this Christmas is the man charged with keeping the peace in the Holy Land.

He is Canadian Maj. Gen. Edson L. M. Burns, chief of staff of the U.N. truce supervision organization for Palestine.

Almost within sight of the birthplace of Jesus Christ, Gen. Burns lives alone in the mile-square No Man's land between Israel and Jordan, two nations who have been at war for eight Christmases.

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PHONE 1081
For
TV AND ANTENNA SERVICE
Knight Television
1500 South Missouri

NOTICE

In order to close our Pettis County books on 1955 business, we ask that all statements be in our hands by

Wednesday, December 28, 1955

NOTICE TO VOTERS

If you are not registered, Tuesday, December 27th, is the last day you may register in order to vote on the Constitutional Amendments on January 24, 1956.
You may register in the office of the County Clerk.

PETTIS COUNTY COURT

MERRY CHRISTMAS

From All of Us at
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4th and Lamine Phone 197

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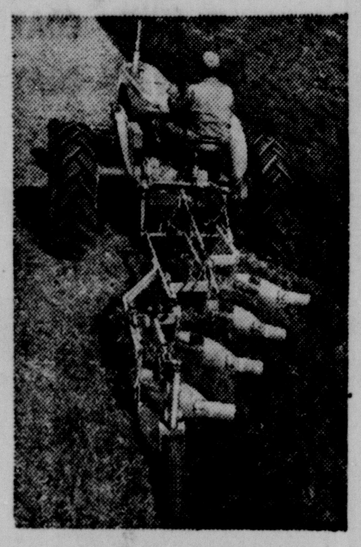
ABSTRACTS OF TITLE
To all Land and Platted Lots in Pettis County
THE LANDMANN ABSTRACT & TITLE CO.
TELEPHONE 51 112 WEST FOURTH STREET

STRETCH YOUR POWER DOLLARS 29% FURTHER



The Allis-Chalmers WD-45 and 4-bottom plow together cost $709 per bottom f.o.b. compared to an average cost of $917 per bottom in 1950. Allis-Chalmers *Engineering-in-Action* makes farm equipment dollars go 29 percent further today.

In place of costly iron and steel, the weight of the implement and the soil against it provide the drive wheel weight needed for traction. Automatic Traction Booster, as this system is called, lets a 4600-pound WD-45 handle 4-bottoms where tractors of this size were formerly limited to two or three bottoms.

Come in and let us show you how useless, built-in weight has been taken out of farm tractor design. Now you can do *more* work, in *less* time, at *lower* cost.

ALLIS-CHALMERS SALES AND SERVICE
WAHRENBROCK IMPLEMENT COMPANY
1301 South 65 Hiway Telephone 332

Merry Christmas
TO EVERYONE
From All of Us at
Lot No. 1 at Broadway and Limit
Clyde Tharp—Used Car Salesmanager
"Gal" Rodgers Pontiac
5th and Kentucky Phone 6908
Your Friendly Pontiac Dealer

We value highly our friends . . . and wish for all a Christmas of lasting happiness.

GEORGE and DAVID ROUTSZONG
and ALL THE EMPLOYEES at
ROUTSZONG MOTOR CO.
225 S. Kentucky—Sedalia
OLDSMOBILE CADILLAC

Holiday Greetings

In the spirit of the Wise Men, Come let us adore Him . . . lifting our hearts with the joyous promise of His message.

So All Our Employees May Observe This Happy Occasion
WE WILL BE CLOSED SUNDAY and MONDAY

"Where Prices Are Born—Not Raised"
MIKE O'CONNOR CHEVROLET BUICK-GMC COMPANY
3 Conveniently Located Lots — Phone 5900
Lot No. 1—Fourth Street Osage to Kentucky • Lot No. 2—Third and Osage
Lot No. 3—718 West Main Street

YEAR END CAR SALE

1947 BUICK Sedanette	$75
1940 BUICK, Very Clean	$125
1947 BUICK Roadmaster	$125
1949 NASH Statesman	$125
1948 CHEVROLET Sedan — Rough	$125
1946 CHEVROLET Sedan — Good	$150
1946 BUICK Super 4-door	$200
1950 WILLYS Station Wagon	$275
1951 PACKARD 4-Door	$645
1951 JEEP 4 Wheel Drive	$845
1952 JEEP Pick-up, 4 Wheel Drive	$895

Many Fords, Chevrolets and Packards as Listed Last Week.
VINCENT MOTOR SALES
1011 West Main Phone 23

May the best of everything be yours on Christmas
JENKINS-GREER MOTOR CO.
218 South Osage Telephone 5400
USED CAR LOT 615 WEST MAIN—PHONE 168

ALLEY OOP — BOP! — By JAY HEAVILIN

VIC FLINT — SHELTER — By V. T. HAMLIN

BUGS BUNNY — HERE WE ARE!

CAPTAIN EASY — COMPOUND ANSWER — By LESLIE TURNER

Greetings
TO ALL OUR GOOD FRIENDS!
We'd like to tell you all how much we appreciate your patronage . . . how much we've enjoyed knowing and serving you. Fondest wishes for a Merry Christmas!
QUEEN CITY MOTOR COMPANY
320 West 2nd — Phone 72
BRYANT MOTOR COMPANY
2nd and Kentucky — Phone 305

We Are Happy To Announce The Appointment of
LLOYD P. DEUSCHLE
To Our Real Estate Sales Department.
Mr. Deuschle, who has been a real estate salesman for the past two years, joins our staff effective Tuesday, December 27th. He will welcome the opportunity of helping you with your real estate problems.
DONNOHUE LOAN & INVESTMENT CO.
410 South Ohio Phone 6
Mr. Deuschle's Residence Telephone No. is 1359

oh boy! it's christmas again!
Yes, it's Christmas: Wondrous time of the year — May it bring, all that's good - in health, and luck, and cheer!

W. A. SMITH MOTORS
220 South Kentucky Telephone 910

Waggoner Challenges State Drivers

Col. Hugh H. Waggoner, superintendent of the Missouri Highway Patrol, hurled a challenge to Missouri drivers today.

Col. Waggoner said, "I dare drivers to take just half the pride in their driving ability that they do in their ability to perform in their favorite hobby. Most persons are never satisfied with their proficiency when it comes to a hobby, but just because they can start, stop and steer and automobile they beleive there is nothing more to learn."

The Patrol superintendent explained that the greatest cause of traffic accidents is human failure; and although there are many contributing causes, the accident primarily occurs because a driver fails.

"Just as often as not, the driver fails in his attitude toward good driving as well as in his ability," Waggoner said. If they took half the pride in their driving ability that they do in their fishing, hunting or bridge playing prowess our traffic toll would be greately reduced.

The colonel explained that expert driving required a great deal more than just being able to start, stop and steer. He said that the ability to understand what the conditions on the highway ahead and around him meant to his driving actions was the first mark of an expert driver, and then taking the right precautions to prevent an accident was the second mark of an expert.

"Expert driving isn't easy," the Patrol chief said, "but almost every driver would be a better driver through study and practice." Did you ever hear of a sport fan who didn't know all the rules of his favorite game — yet very few drivers know all the traffic rules and regulations .

Revival Starts Monday

The Rev. W. E. Jeffery, Oklahoma City, Okla., will conduct a holiday revival at the Jones Holy Temple Church of God in Christ, Moniteau and Cooper, beginning Monday night, Dec. 26. Elder B. Jones is pastor of the church.

Scientists Find Nothing Good About Christmas Mistletoe

STORRS, Conn. (AP)—Unromantic fellows, those scientists in the University of Connecticut forestry department.

Look at what they say about mistletoe, even on the day before the day before Christmas:

"The mistletoe is a killer of the woodlands—a parasite that sends roots through the bark of trees on which it lives, absorbing water, mineral salts and varying amounts of carbohydrates. As a result, trees are weakened, and often die."

Porter Dumps Packages in Incinerator Instead of Delivery

NEW YORK (AP) — A porter at Saks Fifth Avenue department store dumped $500 worth of Christmas purchases into an incinerator instead of on a delivery truck.

"Never happened before," moaned red-faced store officials It turned out that the sales slips were attached to the packages and the store was completely in the dark as who the purchasers were.

In a newspaper ad which started "We are worried and embarrassed." Saks officials appealed to those who shopped on the children's floor on Dec. 20 to notify the store, promising that duplicates of the merchandise would be shipped immediately.

Saks officials estimated that the efforts to correct the error would cost them about $1,500—three times the value of the merchandise that went up in smoke.

The error cost the porter his job, too.

Christmas Services Saturday Evening

The Christmas services will displace the regular Sunday services at Calvary Episcopal Church this week. The Christmas celebration will begin with a service of carols and Christmas music at 10:45 p.m. Christmas Eve. The Choral Eucharist will begin at 11:30 p. m.

On Christmas Day, the Holy Communion will be celebrated at

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THE TREASURE SHOP
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Dorn-Cloney offers complete Laundry and Dry Cleaning Service. Phone 126 and our route man will call.
Moth-Proofing at no extra charge.

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415 South Lamine—Sedalia
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BASE INSURANCE

WE WANT TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO TELL ALL OUR CUSTOMERS...
MERRY CHRISTMAS
FROM ALL OF US AT..
BING'S
WE WILL BE CLOSED
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25
OPEN AS USUAL—9 TO 9
MONDAY, DECEMBER 26

PENNEY'S
ALWAYS FIRST QUALITY!
SPECIAL BETWEEN-YEAR BARGAINS!
TERRIFIC Coat Buys!
• EVERY COAT THE SEASON'S NEWEST!
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• EVERY COAT AN INCOMPARABLE VALUE!

• GOOD LOOKING ALL WOOL CHECKS!
• WOOL KNIT CURLS, COTTON BACKED!
• WOOL KNIT FLEECES, COTTON BACKED!
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Penney's does it again... brings you fashion at a fabulous low! Hurry in ..refresh your wardrobe with dress fashions from this exciting collection!
HURRY! HUNDREDS of new, thrilling DRESSES
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Misses', Women's, Junior's Sizes
You won't believe they're just 3.98 until you see the Penney price ticket! See the exquisite detailing; styling. See dresess you'll be keeping company with for seasons to come! Printed embossed cottons, solid cotton broadcloths, acetate and cotton blend weaves! All so perfectly lovely you'll want several!

ONE GROUP!
WOMEN'S MILLINERY
$1-$2-$3-$4
• WOOL FELTS
• SUEDED WOOLS
• RAYON FLEECE
• VELOURS

ENTIRE STOCK!
PIECE GOODS REMNANTS
1/2 PRICE
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• RAYONS
• FLANNELS
• NYLONS
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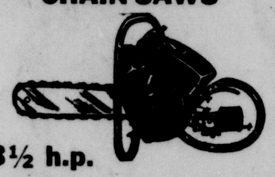

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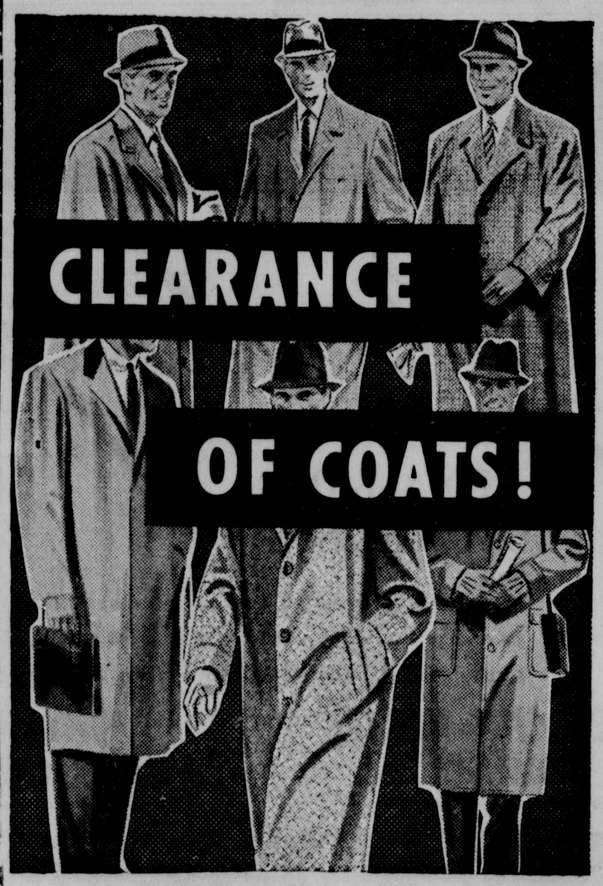

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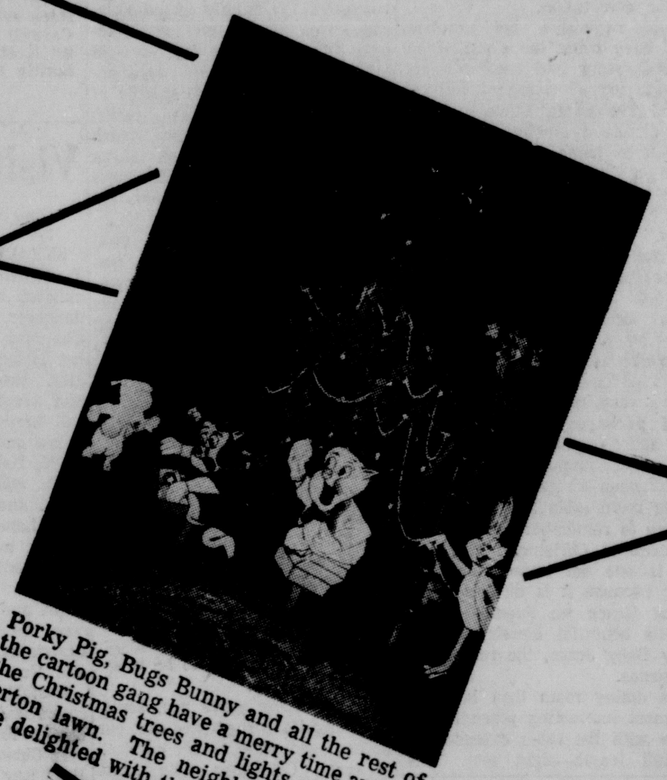
Here's Our Wish to You For . . .

Louis Fullerton, 1112 South Ware, scales off a pattern for his wonderful home Christmas decorations that have won so much admiration in Sedalia. A complete story about it is contained in this section.



Porky Pig, Bugs Bunny and all the rest of the cartoon gang have a merry time around the Christmas trees and lights on the Fullerton lawn. The neighborhood children are delighted with their antics.

These Masonite sheets, standing shoulder high in the Fullerton garage, bear the enlarged versions of the Christmas patterns in the picture above. Illustrating the Holy Night, they will not be cut out and completed for another year or two.

Louis' wife, Helen, wires together the framework for a window display of the Nativity scene. It will be filled with cotton padding and figurines, and the framework will be decorated. This kitchen area becomes the annual workshop at Christmas.

. . . *The Brightest of Merry Christmases*

We Have the Best Christmas of All

By Barbara Guymon

Christmas again! What a happy season for all of us, especially our family with ten children, not counting all the in-laws and grandchildren. Christmas at our house is a most joyous occasion with lots to eat and many funny incidents that touch the funny bone of even the longest-faced person present. Part of the season is spent reminiscing about past Christmases that have left beautiful memories, while the rest is spent in a hustle and bustle, making inexpensive decorations and trying to keep happy secrets until the big day.

Since there were so many of us we were deprived of expensive gifts and elaborate decorations; but a small cedar tree in the modest living room, decorated with old-fashioned ornaments carried through several generations, set the whole house aglow and we thought no one's tree was as pretty as ours. The older children were allowed to hang the delicate bulbs on the tree, while we younger ones were thrilled just to stand back and throw on tinsel that had also been saved through the years. Other decorations included things we had made in school and hung on the walls.

Our mother was (and still is) the best candy maker in the world. She saved her candy-making talent until the Yuletide season, so we always had plenty of assorted candies. This made nice gifts, too, for school teachers, Sunday School teachers, friends and relatives in the service and shut-ins. Our part in making candy was to gather the walnuts, hull and crack them and pick out the goodies.

None of us will ever forget the year that mother made peanut brittle several days before Christmas and for fear it would be eaten before that time, she hid it. In fact, she hid it so well that she couldn't find it herself until New Year's Day when she found it neatly packed in a can and safely placed behind her pretty glass dishes in the utility cabinet. It was still good so we ate peanut brittle all through January.

The only motive for gift-giving in our family is love—the same love we share throughout the year but wait for this special season to express with some small token.

When we were old enough, we did odd jobs for the neighbors—washing dishes, dusting furniture or baby sitting—so we would have a little money to do some last minute Christmas shopping. We had to be conservative with our money, so prices were cut to a minimum.

There was usually a pretty glass dish for Mom, a big red handkerchief for Pop and a paper-doll book or a pencil for each other. What else can one buy for a dime?

Of course, someone always played the "corncob" joke on a good humored person and the best humored person usually got a large package from Santa Claus that took 15 minutes to unwrap only to discover nothing was in it.

On Christmas morning—of all times!—we had to dress and eat a good breakfast before we could as much as peek under the tree. It was almost torture, but it made us more appreciative to have to wait awhile.

Christmas is slightly different at our house now. Most of the antique decorations have been replaced with crystal bulbs and electric bubble lights, and "store bought" decorations restrung throughout the house. The head of the family has gone on to another world and seven of the ten children now have families of their room and some of them are not always able to be present at the celebration.

More expensive, but practical gifts have taken the place of paper-doll books and handkerchiefs, but the joy of giving is still the same. The Santa Claus tradition has dissolved among the few of us left at home so we open our gifts on Christmas Eve at which time the older brothers and sisters can be present to "see our faces." This also saves a "morning mess" and gives more time for preparing the big feast.

"Ah's" and "Oh's" and "Thank you's" are expressed as gracefully as possible, and although there are bound to be disappointments no one dares show it; nor does anyone make fun of the awkward packages wrapped by the four and five-year-olds.

The most important part of the day is when we gather around the dining room table and pause long enough to remember the true significance of Christmas. This season is one set apart from any other because it is different, and during Grace we thank God for all His bountiful blessings, especially Baby Jesus, the reason for Christmas.

The dining room then becomes the most interesting place in the house with the table extended to its full length—eight feet. This still doesn't give enough room so the five foot kitchen table is used for the younger generation.

The table is heaped with a great variety of food. Since we are all fried chicken "addicts," there is plenty of that, plus meat loaf, and best of all, the hen and dumplin's that we all look forward to. There are so many different kinds of food that everyone has his favorites. The men lead the line, cafeteria style, and after plates are filled, there is a rush for the best eating places.

Suddenly the boisterous laughter dies down, for the men have found their way to the divan and armchairs where they can groan and snooze. Even the children have run down and the long-faced women look sadly at the dirty dishes. Then mother says, "Well, girls, let's call in Dinah, what do you say?" This brings them back to life and in no time the table is cleared and all dishes washed and put away.

By this time the men and children have been revived and everyone is ready for an afternoon of gaiety and funny jokes. Visitors come and go, sharing their Christmas joy and bringing good cheer.

Fights are settled between the youngsters as calmly as possible, which isn't always easy with five-year-old Cheryl and four-year-old Mike. One year as we were enjoying ourselves in the middle of the afternoon, there were sudden screams from the bedroom, which th children had converted into a playroom for the day. Mike came running into the living room, followed by Cheryl who was dragging a silk scarf that she used for a bridal veil. When he was under the protection of his mother's skirt, he clasped both hands over his Roy Rogers' pistols and tearfully pouted, "I don't want to be a lovely bride, I want to be a cowboy!" The mothers involved brought a compromise whereby Cheryl would be the lovely bride and Mike could be a cowboy bridegroom, and peace was restored once again.

Yes, Christmas is a joyous season for us, including the thankfulness of Thanksgiving, the love of Valentine's Day, the thoughtfulness of Mother's Day and birthdays, the pranks of Hallowe'en and the sincerity of Easter. All the holidays seem to be wrapped up into one.

Not too many years ago, someone thoughtfully suggested that our mother send some of her children to spend Christmas with some couple who "can give them only the best," to which mother refused and sweetly replied, "I'm sure others have happy Christmases, but we have the best."

How true!

Here are the first fashions in man-made mink. Coat in this new fabric (left) is by Claire McCardell in Princeton's Mutation. Leather straps make the front fastenings. Hooded jacket (right) by Gretta Plattry is ideal for country living. Man-made mink is the newest addition to the family of fabrics that look and feel like fur.—By GAILE DUGAS, NEA Women's Editor.

Farm Trouble Contrasted With Climbing Prosperity

By Associated Press

Agriculture saw its reoccurring problems of declining prices and farmer incomes and the accumulation of troublesome surpluses worsen in 1955.

As a consequence, it got further out of step with booming nonagricultural phases of the economy.

Moneywise, farm prices declined another 5 per cent during the year to bring them more than 25 per cent below the post-war high reached in 1951.

Two factors joined hands to help pull prices and incomes lower. They were the existence of a seven-billion-dollar surplus supply of farm products which, by their very existence, served to depress prices.

In the background stood the fact that farmers as a whole have made little or no headway in adjusting production for abnormally high levels of the war and immediate postwar period to the lower demands of peacetime.

This continued down trend in the farm economy brought on criticism of the Eisenhower administration farm program and of Secretary of Agriculture Benson.

In reply Benson said the administration program has not yet had a chance to effect an improvement in the farm situation, but agreed that new measures are needed.

The administration concentrated heavily on efforts to move surpluses abroad, but found many barriers in the form of increased competition and foreign protests that U.S. dumping would wreck world markets and arouse resentment against this country.

The farm income situation got strong support, however, from domestic consumers who continued to spend a favorable portion of their income for food.

. . . Ovid A. Martin.

Visitors For The Holidays At Syracuse

By Mrs. B. A. Bridges

SYRACUSE—Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Keevil will have al lof their children home for Christmas. One daughter, Mrs. Howard Dean Chapman and son are here while her husband is in Korea. Mr. and Mrs. Mara Thomas Keevil, Jr., and daughter, Costa Mesa, Calif., will arrive Saturday, and a son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Dailey and children, Tulsa, Okla., will arrive Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Bridges and son, Lansing, Mich., will arrive Friday to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Bridges.

Mr. and Mrs. Armin Landis and sons, Lawrence, Kan., will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Steele.

Mrs. Freda Stoup left for a vacation and will visit Mr. and Mrs. Byron Bates, Woodward, Okla., over Christmas. While she is gone Mrs. Ray Chapman will work in her place at the telephone office.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Robson, Coffeen, Ill., visited Monday and Tuesday with her sister, Mrs. C. D. Walters. The Robsons were enroute to Colorado where they will spend Christmas with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Schroeder and daughter had as guests Tuesday her sister, Mrs. Charley Kruse, Mr. Kruse and daughter of near San Francisco, Calif. They will spend Christmas here visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Donald Wear and baby, Tipton, visited last week with Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Allison and family. Donald Wear, who attends school in Kansas City, visited over the weekend.

Mrs. Speed Poage left Sunday for Kansas City where she will visit until after Christmas with her children, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Parson and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Greenwell and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Norton and son, Sedalia, spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. A. M. Johansen.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Klein had as guests over the weekend, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wybrant, Forrest City.

William Ray Anthony, University of Missouri student, is home for a Christmas vacation.

Captive kangaroos are easily taught to box men in exhibitions.

Merry Christmas

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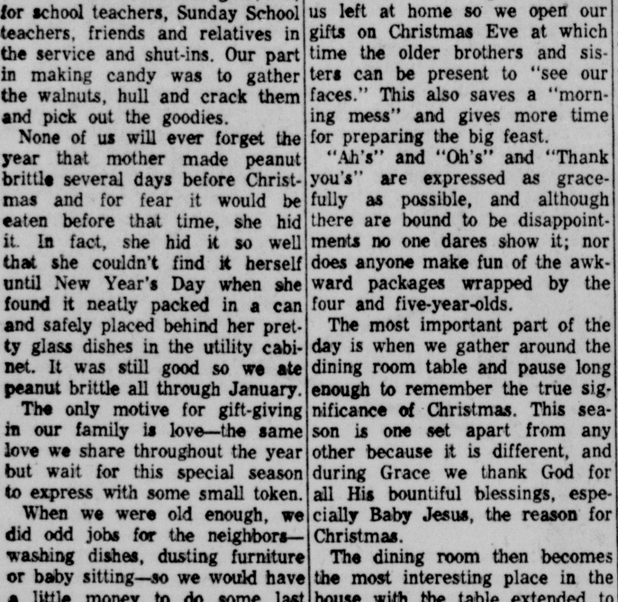
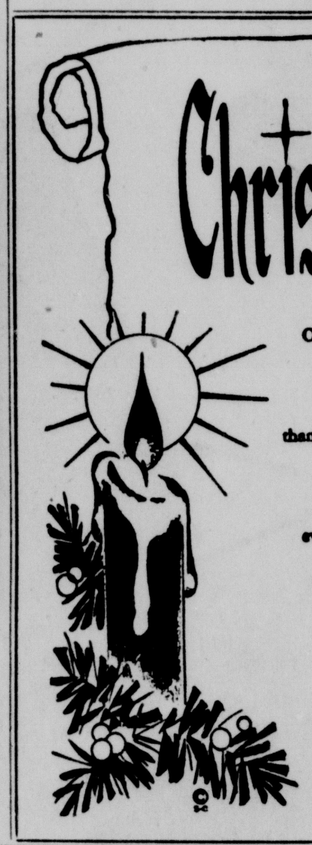


THAT COLLEGIATE LOOK—This 1911 model-T Ford is the proud possession of Bill Robeson, right, University of Illinois senior at Urbana-Champaign. The 12th auto Robeson has restored in two years, this one has gleaming brass radiator and headlights, a high body and straps to hold down the top. The Chicago student finished it with 14 coats of hand-rubbed lacquer. His only casualty with the car, which averages 28 to 30 miles per gallon of either gasoline or kerosene, was a broken wrist while cranking the car to start it. Examining its four-cylinder engine are, left to right, classmates Gerald Pullen, Princeville, Ill; John Graves, Wyoming, Ill., and Max Whitman, Monmouth, Ill.



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Louis and Helen Fullerton Delight City With Their Christmas Decorations

Every Year They Bring Out Favorite 'Pals' of Neighborhood Children And Wreath Their Home in Gay Lights

Many people have hobbies but there are few who have hobbies that afford everybody as much pleasure as does Louis Fullerton's. Once a year, at Christmas time, Louie's home at 1112 Ware becomes a place of enchantment for children and grownups alike. Cars drive by slowly or stop, if they can, to see the gay time Bugs Bunny, Donald Duck, the three little pigs and all the well-known little cartoon characters are having getting the tree trimmed and everything fixed up for Christmas at Fullertons.

If the car windows are put down a little carols may be heard and behind the front windows of the home sit Louie and Helen, his wife, watching the stream of cars. Louie has no children of his own but he gets the biggest thrill of Christmas seeing the small noses of youngsters pressed against the glass of the car looking at the happy group that seem to be everywhere, each of them doing a job in the Christmas decorating. You can't miss Louie's place, from Highway 50. It looms up like a carnival, because there seem to be lights everywhere. It doesn't cost so much, says Louie, only about $8 for the two weeks, and the most of that is for the spotlights. Of course, unless the cars are very thick, the lights are turned off about 10 o'clock each night except Christmas Eve, Christmas night and New Year's Eve.

Louie didn't start out to be the center of attraction at Christmas. He just was trying to be a good neighbor and go along with the people who lived in the Crescent Drive district. That first year they had asked him to join in on the home decoratig idea in that area. All around were new homes and somebody had an dea to make it a real Christmas fairyland with everybody decorating. Even when he was in school Louie had the urge to be a cartoonist, so the idea appealed to him. At that time he lived at 1101 Ware and he thought he would have Bugs Bunny and Santa dancing together up on the housetop. Well, the way the house was situated this had to be seen from both directions and Louie could draw his characters facing only one way. He tried and tried, but he couldn't seem to reverse them. He even tried with a mirror but he still couldn't do it, so that was where Helen took over. Helen is a pretty good artist and she can draw both ways.

That was the year, too, that the three little pigs were singing Christmas carols on one side of the yard and three little ducks were singing on the other side. The door was a big package with birds tying the knots in the ribbon. That was Helen's idea and she fixed the door herself.

Then the Fullertons moved to their present address, where there is plenty of yard space, and each year characters are added. Their is Elmer Fudd, Porky Pig and Sylvester, the cat, decorating the big Christmas tree in the yard. There is old Santa, the reindeers and sleigh, the three little ducks peeping out the window — everywere are the happy little characters from the comics ringing a big bell, putting up decorations, doing all kinds of things. Colored lights outlne the house, the garage and part of the fence.

This year, said Louie, there will be no new characters added. He is working on something else. But all the old familiar little funnies will be right back out there at Fullertons, up on ladders, down on the ground, every place, getting those decorations up.

It is not until the weather gets cold that Louie's Christmas project begins, after it is too late to work with his yard. Louie doesn't go into a workshop — he doesn't have one. Instead Louie, his paint cans and paint brushes, his saw and his hammers, move right into Helen's kitchen and there they stay until spring. There is no doubt about it — Helen is an unusual woman. She certainly has the true Christmas spirit, not only during the two weeks that the funny little figures are up to delight the children, but from October to March, the period when Louie converts her workshop into his. He always cleans up the mess, though.

The cutting is done in the garage unless it is real cold, then that job, too, is brought into the kitchen. Louie doesn't have a power saw, or any power tools. He does it the hard way. First he drills some holes at the edge of the character and then starts sawing.

The Fullertons haven't entered the contest this year. After all they have won first two different times, he said, and he didn't think he should be in another contest. Anyway he hasn't anything new, it is still the same as last year, but that does't mean he and Helen haven't been working on a new idea. This time it will have a religious theme. This he plans to put in a place apart from his house so it will be entirely separate from the funny characters.

He searched for pictures that he could copy, because all of his figures are copied from small pictures. He knew what he wanted but it was hard to find, then one day he found it in a store. The entire group of pictures in a child's paint book.

The figures have been started, but it will be next year, or the next, before Louie will have the scene of the Holy Night ready. They must be scaled for size and they must be drawn and painted and cut out. Many things will have to be worked out, said Louie, including effective lighting, but he believes that it will be another phase of Chrstmas, something entirely different and the one that has the true meaning of Christmas.

This year Louie hopes to have a little live music, at least for one night. Every year he has his loudspeaker and a record player, but he hopes for someone to play the organ a little this year.

During the time his decorations are up children come in the day time and wander around the yard looking at the comical little characters that are all their friends. Why they know every one of them and call them by name as they go about. Sometimes Louie doesn't even remember the names himself. "What is the name of that black cat?" he'll say, scratching his head when he wants to tell about Sylvester.

Yes, just before Christmas is a busy time for Louie and Helen, to say nothing of Bugs Bunny, Elmer Fudd, Porky Pig and all of them, getting everything in place to wish everybody in the Sedalia area and all those who might see their place from Highway 50 and drive by "A Merry, Merry Christmas."

Louis Fullerton prepares decoration wiring.

The Fullertons' tree inside their home.

Letter to Santa Very Unusual One From Girl

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP)—The following letter to Santa Claus, from a little girl, is a bit unusual. Delivered to radio station WMC, it reads:

"Dear Santa,

"My mother want som pearls. My father want a big gray hat size 7½. My niest want a colored doll. My niest live with my parents brother and I.

"Please don't for get the children that doesn't have parents.

"Tell all of the mist fortunate children to have a pleasnt Christmas don't be unhappy. Tell them all to read the story about when Jesus was born. Everyone was very happy at Christmas Eve.

"I will leave you somethings up under the tree I am not going to tell you what it is I want you to fine out for yourself it want be right to tell you. . . ."

Unusual?

The child asked nothing for herself.

Washing Everyone's Car in Neighborhood As Christmas Gift

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Mrs. Helen Olds saw several young men washing a car yesterday, another clean job parked behind it.

Young fellows trying to earn extra Christmas money, she thought. And because her car needed washing she stopped and asked if they'd like to do the job for, say $1.50. They would, they said.

An hour later one of the men brought the spanking clean car to her nearby home. He took the trouble to sweep up some broken glass in her driveway.

But when she offered him $1.50 plus a quarter tip, he refused to take the money.

"Why?" she asked.

"Well, ma'am," he said, "we're all Marines, just back from Korea. We're on our way home to Indianapolis, which we haven't seen since 1949. We're staying with friends up the street during our layover. Everyone in the neighborhood has been so nice to us we thought we'd like to give them a Christmas present. And the only thing we could think of that we could afford was to wash cars.

"Merry Christmas, ma'am."

Bandit Decides Not To Take the Checks

ERLANGER, Ky. (AP)—A bandit displayed a bit of the Christmas spirit last night when he held up Albert Thiel's hardware store.

After the bandit relieved Thiel of $85 and a number of checks, Thiel asked him to return the checks, telling him, "You won't be able to cash them."

The bandit handed the checks back sayin, "Oh well, all right—but if it wasn't for Christmas I wouldn't be doing this for you."

Benjamin Franklin invented the harmonica, a musical instrument formed of a number of glasses containing water, from which the musical sounds were produced by rubbing their rims with a moistened finger.

Have the Most Prized Christmas Card of All

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP)—Perhaps the most prized Christmas card received at Albany police head quarters was one sent from Long Branch, N.J., and signed, "From a man who never forgot."

"Back in 1933 when I was on the bum as a hobo, I never forgot how nice I was treated by your police department.

"I was cold and got a place to sleep with lots of kindness. So I want now to extend my Christmas greetings and thanks."

All He Wants For Christmas Are Teeth

SPENCER, Iowa (AP)—The agents of Santa Claus here received this letter today from David Jones, 4:

"Dear Santa—my little brother is Allan. He is 10 months old. He wants his teeth for Christmas."

Boys Get Dolls For Christmas Presents

CAMDEN, Ark. (AP)—Three Camden boys, whose ages range from 12 to 14, admitted a series of thefts here, and received Christmas presents from the judge. Judge Milas C. Reynolds yesterday chose three dolls from among the loot which the boys had stolen. He ordered each of the young defendants to carry a doll home "in your arms" and "take good care of it."

Magistrate Reduces Fines of Defendants

NEW YORK (AP)—The blessings of the Yuletide season were reflected yesterday in upper Manhattan court, where Magistrate Harry G. Andrews fined 90 persons $2 each instead of the usual $15 fee.

The fines were for a variety of sanitary code violations.

Andrews reduced the fines on the defendants' promises to "do something nice" on Christmas for less fortunate persons.

A HAPPY HOLIDAY
To All Friends And Customers . . .
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Mrs. David Lee Bearden

Miss Dorothy Hesseford Weds David Bearden in Cole Camp

Miss Dorothy Marie Hessefort, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman J. Hessefort, became the bride of Mr. David Lee Bearden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bearden of Piedmont, at 10 o'clock Saturday morning, December 10, at St. Peter's and St. Paul's Catholic Church, Cole Camp, with the Rev. Walter J. Pilecki, officiating at the double ring ceremony. The church was decorated with lighted white tapers and mixed bouquets of chrysanthemums, gladioli and pompons.

Mrs. E. F. Paxton, Sedalia, organist, played a prelude of wedding music and also accompanied William Couhig, Sedalia, soloist, who sang, "Mother Beloved" and "Ave Maria."

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a floor-length gown of white Chantilly lace and nylon tulle over bridal satin, fashioned with a hip-length fitted bodice of lace with cut out appliques of the lace extending into four points at the front. The long fitted sleeves tapered to a point over the hand. The bodice had a high neck line with small up-standing collar. The nylon tulle skirt was gathered into the lace bodice with great fullness. Her only jewelry was an emerald brooch, a gift of the bridegroom. Her headdress was a coronet of lace embroidered with pearls and sequins and from it fell a fingertip illusion of nylon tulle. She carried a bridal bouquet of white Garcia chrysanthemums.

Mrs. Burton J. Ives, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. She wore a waltz-length gown of white lace over pink satin and carried a colonial bouquet of blue carnations.

Miss Betty Bearden, sister of the groom, Miss Carolyn Kroenke and Miss Donna Lee Carrico were bridesmaids. They wore ballerina-length gowns of ice blue taffeta, fashioned with off the shoulder neckline and tiered skirt of net over taffeta and white accessories. They carried colonial bouquets of pink carnations.

Miss Bonnie Kohl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Kohl, St. Louis, a niece of the bridegroom, served as flower girl and Master Gene Marchel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Marchel, St. Louis, nephew of the bridegroom, served as ring bearer.

Burton J. Ives, brother-in-law of the bride, acted as best man.

Larry Schmitt, Robert Haase and Robert Marchel, the latter a brother-in-law of the bridegroom were groomsmen. Larry T. Johnson and Jerry D. Seal of Piedmont, ushered.

The bride's mother wore a winter white brocade dress with gray accessories and a corsage of pink carnations. The bridegroom's mother wore a pink and brown dress with pink accessories and a corsage of white carnations.

A wedding dinner was served at the noon hour for the immediate relatives and friends of the bridal couple at St. Peter's and St. Paul's rectory basement.

A reception was held at the home of the bride's parents at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon. A four-tiered wedding cake, decorated in blue and white, was topped with a miniature bride and bridegroom under a floral arch, two tiny white doves holding wedding rings in their beaks were suspended on either side of the arch. Mrs. Ralph Vaughan and Miss Donna Schmitt served at the bride's table. Miss Gail Harris had charge of the guest book. Miss Joyce Brosch, Sedalia, Miss Connie Colyne and Miss Ruby Mae Weinberg were in charge of the gifts.

Following the reception the couple left for St. Louis, where they will be at home. The bridegroom is employed with General Cable Corp. in St. Louis.

For traveling the bride wore a two-piece gray wool dress trimmed in white with red and white accessories.

Out-of-town guests attending the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bearden, Larry T. Johnson and Jerry D. Seal, Piedmont; Mrs. Browne Y. Edelen, Mrs. Lawrence Brosch and daughter, Joyce, Sedalia; Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Kohl and daughters, Robert Marchel and son, Miss Betty Bearden of St. Louis; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hessefort, Warsaw; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Allee and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hessefort and daughters of Versailles; Mr. and Mrs. John P. Hughes of Jefferson City, and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Wilson and daughters of Stover.

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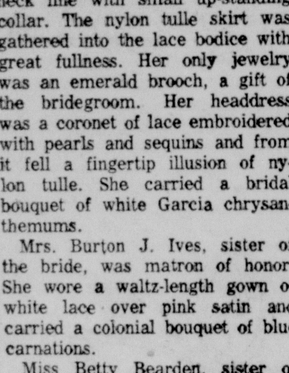

by Mildred Bowman

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Betty Lademann Becomes Bride Of Russel Hays

Miss Betty Faye Lademann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lademann, Russelville, and Russel Dean Hays, son of Mrs. Cecil Hays, California, were wed December 15 in the home of the officiating minister, the Rev. J. S. Laws in California.

The bride wore a light blue dress with navy blue accessories. Her corsage was of white carnations.

Miss Donna Bilyeu, California, aunt of the bride, was maid of honor and wore a brown two piece suit and a white carnation corsage. Larry Barbour served as best man.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Lademann wore a black crepe dress. The bridegroom's mother wore a blue crepe dress.

A reception was held in the home of the bride's parents at three o'clock.

The bride chose for traveling in the Ozarks, a blue suit. She is a senior in the California High School.

The bridegroom is stationed at Ft. Campbell, Kentucky and has been in the service since Jan. 1955.

Extension Club Has Party and Meeting

A Christmas party and gift exchange were part of the December meeting of the Neighborly Neighbors Extension Club, held at the home of Miss Minnie M. Scott. Roll call was answered by telling "The Most Unusual Christmas Present I Ever Received."

"The Meaning of Christmas," was read by the president, Mrs. Irvin Smith; a poem, "Ten Little Christians," by Mrs. Ed Werneke.

The recent visit by health leaders to the Crippled Children's Center was described by Mrs. Thomas J. Raines, as she told something of the work being done with the children and of their needs.

A date was set for filling out 1956 yearbooks.

Two films on India and South Africa were shown by Miss Catherine Scott.

The first meeting of the new year will be Jan. 12 at the home of Mrs. Jerry Vardeman.

Has Birthday Party

Adra Franks, 3, was guest of honor at a birthday party held at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. H. G. Franks, Warsaw, Monday morning, Dec. 19. Refreshments were served to Charlu Rhodes, Vicky Breshears, Robbie Lane, Bobby Follmer, Virginia Ponder, Edwin Bybee, Keith Cooper, Alice Ann White, Pamela Zhender and Diane Wright. Santa stockings of red felt were given as favors.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Mittenburg, 123 South Gentry, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Ann, to Ted Blanckfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Blanckfield, Detroit, Mich. The wedding is planned for Jan. 14. (Cole Photo)

Fidelis Class Holds Christmas Party

The Fidelis Sunday School Class of the East Sedalia Baptist Church held its Christmas party at the church Dec. 19 with 30 present.

Mrs. Earl Parker, Mrs. T. E. Shoemaker, Mrs. Nellie Sparks and Mrs. O. Y. Thomas were hostesses. A chicken dinner was served at noon.

The table was decorated by Mrs. Edyth McFarland, Mrs. Bert DeWitt and Mrs. Henry Brinkman. Large red candles, miniature evergreen trees and boughs of evergreen centered with a poinsettia were used. Candy canes tied with ribbon were placed at each place.

In the afternoon Mrs. W. O. Maness led the group in singing Christmas carols, with Mrs. Harry Carr at the piano. Mrs. Edyth McFarland gave the devotional. The Rev. B. E. Eldridge gave a short talk.

Gifts were then exchanged and sunshine pals revealed. The class presented special gifts to the president, Mrs. Earl Parker, and the secretary, Mrs. J. N. Cameron. There was also a gift for the teacher, Mrs. Louise Decker, who is visiting in Washington, D.C. New pal names were drawn.

Three fruit boxes are being sent to shut-ins for Christmas.

Concordia WMS Meets

The WMS Baptist Circle, Concordia, met Dec. 16 at the home of the Rev. and Mrs. Dale Allan with approximately 20 members present. After the business meeting Christmas carols were sung and gifts were exchanged. During the social hour the hostess served refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Mabry, 1802 South Quincy, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Dolanna, to RDSA Lloyd M. Lane, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd M. Lane, Sr., 223 East Boonville. The wedding will take place December 26. (Lehmer Photo)

Lutheran Ladies Aid Have Christmas Dinner

The Ladies Aid of the St. John's Lutheran Church near Cole Camp entertained their members and families at a turkey supper at the church on Friday night. The Ladies Aid furnished the turkeys and the remainder of the supper was contributed by the members. Following the supper the ladies had their Christmas party and gift exchange.

Lemen Circle Meets

Fifteen members of the Lemen Circle of the California Methodist Church met at the home of Mrs. W. S. Lemen. Mrs. Hurt, Mrs. Lemen's mother, was a guest.

Mrs. Don Moore presented the devotion. Christmas cards were sent to shut-ins. Mrs. Lemen conducted the business meeting. Gifts of food for the Christmas baskets for the church are being given through the circles.

After the business meeting, Christmas gifts were exchanged by the group. A dessert course was served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Reid, Smithton, announce the engagement of their daughter, Gladys Marie, to Robert E. Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Martin, Green Ridge. A spring wedding is planned. (Lehmer Photo)

Ehlert Circle Meets With Mrs. McDaniel

The Ehlert Circle of the California Methodist Church met at the home of Mrs. Harold McDaniel. Thirteen members and one guest, Mrs. A. R. Lindendall, were present. Mrs. L. W. Fuerst led the devotianal.

The business of the meeting was conducted by Mrs. Ray Ehlert, chairman of the circle. Cards and gifts are being sent to Mount Vernon patients and shut-ins.

After the business of the meeting, Christmas gifts were exchanged. The hostess served a dessert course

Helping Hand Club Has All-Day Meeting

The Helping Hand Club, Concordia, met for an all-day meeting Dec. 15, at the home of Mrs. Ervin Langkhaer with 11 members and one visitor present. Each person brought a covered dish for the noon meal. A business meeting was held, called to order by Mrs. William Sass.

The day was spent in quilting for the hostess and during the social hour gifts were exchanged and secret pals were drawn for next year.

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Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. Russell R. Overfelt, Van Buren, Ark., formerly of Sedalia, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Connie, to Bob White, son of Mrs. Jenny A. White, Kansas City. Both attend Central Missouri State College in Warrensburg. She is a sophomore and he will graduate in June. The wedding is to be Jan. 6 in Sedalia.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lumpe, Warsaw, announce the engagement of their daughter, Betty Ann, to Kenneth Kammeyer, son of Mrs. Louise Kammeyer of Alma. The wedding will take place in January at Alma. Miss Lumpe works in Kansas City.

Houstonia Civic Club Holds Regular Meeting

The Houstonia Civic Council met Tuesday night, Dec. 20, with Miss Hattis Skillman with ten members present. Mrs. Jack Morris was a guest. It was decided to ask a representative of the WSCS of the Methodist Church and another representative from the Baptist Church as members of the council, also two business men and a representative of the Panhandle plant.

Plans were made to have a sausage and pancake supper with tentative date Jan. 19. The burning of the Christmas trees will be celebrated Jan. 6 with the three ministers having charge of the program. The hostess served refreshments.

GTG Club Has Party

Mrs. W. O. Maness, 670 East 17th, entertained the GTG club with a one o'clock dessert luncheon Wednesday, Dec. 14. The house was decorated in the Christmas spirit. The afternoon was spent singing carols. Mrs. Earl Lutgen gave the Christmas story before the gift exchange.

Hold Joint Party For Christmastime

The annual Christmas party held jointly by the Knights of Columbus and Daughters of Isabella was Monday night.

A covered dish supper was followed by a program with Frank Lang serving as toastmaster.

The Regent of Our Lady Circle, Mrs. Andy Schreck, gave a short talk followed by Arnold Dueber, the Grand Knight. David Wolf sang a solo.

After the Rev. Father James Stiedel gave a short talk, the story of Christmas was given by Shirley Morlock, Jeanette Knipp, Mrs. Ewald Fischer, Mrs. Charles Bestgen, Hubert Muenks and David Wolf.

Mrs. Leo Knipp and Mrs. Oscar Schmidt were organists.

The Rev. Father J. J. Breit gave a talk followed by David Wolf singing another solo.

Group singing of "Silent Night" closed the program before Santa Claus arrived and delivered the gifts.

B. J. Homemakers In Christmas Party

Seventeen members of the Black Jack Homemakers attended the Christmas party held at the home of Mrs. Frank Page, Jr., Dec. 14. Mrs. Elmer Bass was assistant hostess.

Mrs. Lloyd Monsees, president, presided over the meeting. Mrs. Charlie Schroader read the Christmas story. Roll call was answered by, "What I Would Like to Receive for Christmas." Mrs. Carl Dittmer showed the coffee urn the club had obtained. It was decided to send $5 to CARE.

Carols were sung by the group. Mrs. Elmer Bass read a Christmas article. Secret Pals were drawn for next year. At the gift exchange, each learned who their secret pal had been. Visitors were Mrs. John Wilkens and Mrs. Maude Ray.

The next meeting will be Jan. 18 at the home of Mrs. Edwin Bultemeier.

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Miss Jean Ragar, Ryland Nace Exchange Vows

Miss Jean Ragar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ragar, Ogallala, Neb., former Green Ridge residents, and Ryland Nace, son of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Nace, Warrensburg, were married November 23 at the Broadway Baptist Mission in Sedalia with the Rev. Morris Potter performing the double ring ceremony.

Attendants were Mr. and Mrs. John Nace, Warrensburg, brother and sister-in-law of the bridegroom.

The bride chose a wool dress of persimmon color with black accessories and a corsage of white carnations.

Mrs. John Nace was attired in a black taffeta dress with black and white accessories and a white corsage.

Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Percy Nace and Mrs. Morris Potter, an aunt of the bridegroom.

The couple live in Kansas City, where both are employed.

Miss Carol Koechner Celebrates Birthday

Carol Koechner was given a birthday party, Sunday afternoon, Dec. 11, by her mother, Mrs. Peter Joe Koechner, Tipton. She was nine years old that day.

Those present were classmates and friends: Diana Nau, Remy Hake, Linda Kuttenkuler, Janet Kuttenkuler, Helen Battles, Paulette Fischer, Mary Ann Lutz, Mary Lou Elmlinger, Judy Petree, Geraldine Verlinden, Betty Jo Veulemans, Norma Knipp, and Mary Beth Wirths.

Refreshments were served, with favors of paper hats and balloons. Mrs. Victor Elmlinger assisted Mrs. Koechner in serving.

Celebrates Birthday

Diane Wright, Warsaw, celebrated her fourth birthday with a birthday party held at her home Sunday afternoon, Dec. 18. Those who helped her to celebrate were Terry and Robbie Lane, Alice Ann White, Tommy Branson, Kelly Kasper, Edwin Bybee, Jerry and Bobby Follmer and Diana and Virginia Ponder. Keith Cooper and Pamela Zhender were unable to attend but sent gifts. Refreshments were served and favors of "Magic Ladders" were given to each little guest.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Renno

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Renno Celebrate Golden Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Renno, 1406 East 13th, are celebrating their golden wedding anniversary at their home from two to five o'clock, January 1.

They were married at Pleasant Green in the home of the bride in 1905 by the Rev. S. R. Saylor. They have resided in Pettis County for the past forty years.

They are the parents of one son, Howard Renno, and one foster daughter, Mrs. J. W. Newland, Sedalia.

Mr. Renno is a retired farmer and had a farm ten miles northeast of Sedalia.

Renfrow Circle Meets

The Renfrow Circle of the California Methodist Church met at the home of Mrs. H. T. Renfrow. Mrs. Dorsey Hood gave the devotion. Christmas carols were sung by the group. Mrs. Renfrow conducted the business meeting. Christmas cards were sent to shut-ins. After the business of the meeting, gifts were exchanged. A dessert course was served by the hostess.

Social Calendar

WEDNESDAY

Houstonia Woman's Club at 2 with Mrs. Oscar Rothrock.

Parent Education Class Has Christmas Party

The Broadway Parent Education Class met Tuesday, Dec. 20, at 2 p.m. in the school basement for its Christmas party.

Mrs. William Schutt gave a humorous reading, "Christmas Shopping".

Throughout the afternoon recordings of Christmas carols and songs were played while the group participated in Christmas games.

In keeping with the Christmas spirit, Mrs. W. F. Strickert gave the "Legend of the Christmas Candle", and presented the Nativity story in verse.

Refreshments were served by the fifth grade room mothers, who were hostesses for the afternoon, Mrs. John Miller, Mrs. W. E. Wilson, Mrs. Leora Roberts, Mrs. Jim Reed, Mrs. C. M. Becker, Mrs. Kenneth Mickens, Mrs. E. F. Thacker and Mrs. W. C. Schmidt.

About Town

Capt. and Mrs. Jack K. Coffelt and daughters, Constance and Jacqueline, Cincinnati, O., are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Coffelt, 156 Sumner.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Duncan, 1500 South Barrett, have left for Clovis, N.M., for a visit with their son-in-law and daughter, Capt. and Mrs. Harry Trottman and Beth Ann.

Mr. and Mrs. Tyler Welch of Oklahoma City, Okla., are here for the holidays and are at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Welch, 1112 West Seventh.

Cleo E. Monsees, Berkeley, Calif. arrived for the holiday season with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Monsees, Route 4. His family is also visiting there.

Broadway PTA Enjoys Christmas Program

The Broadway PTA met at the school auditorium Friday night for the annual Christmas program. The school orchestra opened the program by playing "Christmas Festival." The fifth, sixth and seventh grade chorus gave the Christmas story in song and verse with Jeff Lockett as narrator. A quartette, composed of Mildred Reed, Jacquelyn Roberts, Gail Painter and Sara Brougher, sang. Mary Louise Barnes sang a solo. A trio, composed of Jimmie Cramer, Tom Leslie and Wayne Hofheins, sang.

Miss Florence Hert, music instructor, conducted the program with Mrs. Del Heckart accompanist.

Dresden Homemakers Have Dessert Luncheon

The Dresden Homemakers held their Christmas party at the Community Hall Dec. 13 with Mrs. Paul Gottchalk as hostess and Mrs. Richard Mills, Mrs. Clarence DeHaven and Mrs. Gordon Morris as assistants. The hall and tables were decorated in a Christmas theme. A dessert luncheon was served at 1 o'clock.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Loranz Raabe. The devotional was given by Mrs. A. B. Cook. At roll call each member gave a Christmas poem and sang Christmas carols.

A box of gifts from the club was given to a needy family in Dresden. Secret pals for 1956 were chosen and Mrs. Zimmerman's letter was read by Mrs. George Farris.

The health chairman, Miss Nadine Stein, gave an interesting report on the health meeting held in Sedalia.

There were 25 members, eight children, and four guests, Mrs. B. Richie, Mrs. Dennis Raabe, Mrs. James Whitfield, and Mrs. Ed Fichter, present.

Mrs. C. E. Ferguson, Mrs. George Faster and Mrs. W. Richie will be hostesses for the January meeting.

The Dave Roberts Celebrate Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Roberts observed their 50th wedding anniversary with open house from two to four at their home in Lincoln Dec. 18.

Earlier the couple were honor guests at a family dinner given by their son and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Roberts and children. More than 100 relatives and friends called during the afternoon.

The Roberts are the parents of two girls, Mrs. Clarence Griggs, Sedalia; and Mrs. Margaret Smith, Santa Maria, Calif.; and one son, Eugene, Lincoln. They also have five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Roberts chose to wear for the occasion a gown of navy blue and her corsage was of yellow roses.

The table from which refreshments were served was covered with a plain white linen cloth and had as its centerpiece a large three-tiered anniversary cake topped with the golden numerals "50." The cake was flanked on either side with lighted white tapers in three-branch candelabra and the entire setting was encircled with chrysanthemums of gold.

Their daughter and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Griggs and Mrs. Roberts, served. A granddaughter, Jaunita Roberts, Lincoln, was in charge of the guest book and another granddaughter and her friend, Cathy Roberts and Linda Kroenke, Lincoln, were in charge of the gifts. There were also flowers wired from Iowa and messages received from the states of Montana, California and Iowa. Phil Hughes, brother of Mrs. Roberts, who lives in Watkins, Mont., came farther than any other guest.

Until recent years the Roberts resided on a farm west of Lincoln before moving to their new home in town. Mr. Roberts serves as water commissioner and deputy marshal.

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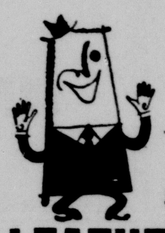
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Home, Auto Building May Slacken in the New Year

By Associated Press

Business will move into new high ground in 1956 — order backlogs are high enough to assure that.

It may well be America's first 400 billion dollar year. The total tally on goods and services was approaching that annual rate as 1955 bowed out.

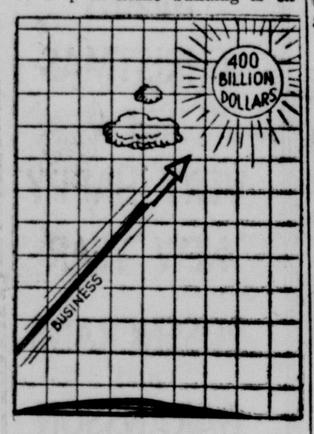
And most businessmen are betting that the first half of the new year will see higher sales, a little higher prices, higher wages, more jobs, more business spending for expansion and at least as much consumer buying as in booming 1955.

But at midyear they'll start crossing their fingers. Electioneering — always unsettling for business — will get going strong. Labor strife is possible in such basic industries as steel, if unions push hard for the guaranteed annual wage. And the boom itself will have reached an age when the economic doctors would expect a slowdown.

The majority of businessmen now answering business guessing-game polls are betting that any such slowdown in the last half of the year won't outweigh the gains they see as sure in the months just ahead. They expect the final tally for 1956, as a whole at least to equal, and perhaps top, record-setting 1955.

Slowdowns — if they come — may start first in home building and possibly later in auto sales. These were pace setters in 1955.

A drop in home building is expected, but credit will probably be manipulated to keep it slight. How long Americans will keep on buying cars at a record rate is any one's guess. The year starts with people already in hock for a record 14 billion dollars on the cars they are driving.



Consumers, who added to their debts in 1955 at a faster rate than they increased their hoard of savings, are the chief unknown quantity in the economic equation. If they turn around and pay off present debts instead of buying more things on time, and start saving more and splurging less, a lot of the starch would be taken out of the business boom.

Chief offsetting factors are general business optimism and long-term planning. Numerous corporations have announced expansion programs. They say they'll pour out more than 33 billion dollars for new plant and equipment, a sizable gain over 1955. Business also was on an inventory build-up tack as the old year waned.

Government expenditure should be up a little — any drop in federal spending to be more than offset by increased shelling out at the state and local level.

Given sustained consumer spending, the economy should find the increase in business and government spending making up for any slowdown in home building and auto sales.

Business hopes for continued consumer spending are built on these factors:

1. Expectation that the anticipated increase in prices o. manufactured goods will be too small to arouse resistance — especially if food prices hold table as now seems likely.

2. Increased personal income from higher wages, full employment, and probably from tax cuts.

3. New products or better products which businessmen say they'll have to dangle before the shoppers.

4. The present American tendency to live it up now and leave the future to pension plans and a paternalistic government.

. . . Sam Dawson.

Female of the Species

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — A 58-year-old man may find it hard to face his friends after pleading guilty to a charge of being drunk.

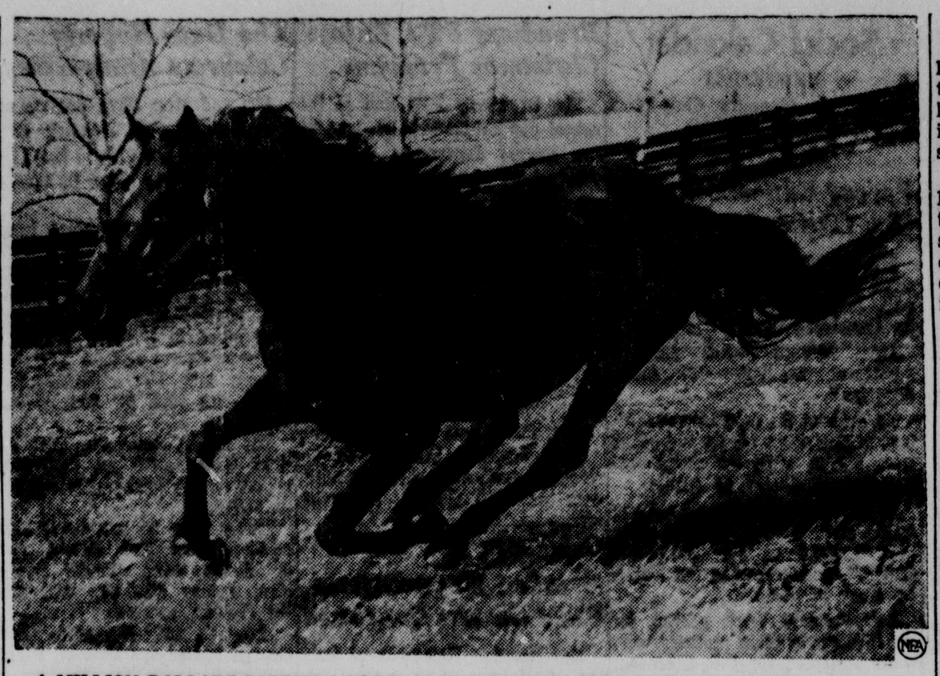
His embarrassment came when he lost a four-block chase to one of the city's newest police officers, one of six women hired primarily for issuing parking tickets in the downtown business district. First the woman officer, Mildred Jones, pushed him down and after he got up, chased him four blocks until a scout car with two policemen caught them and made the arrest.

"I was just making sure he didn't get away," she said.

He was given a $12 fine by Police Judge Mike Foster.

Reds Captured

TAIPEI, Formosa (AP) — Chinese Nationalist guerrillas operating off Fukien province along the coast opposite Formosa have captured 1,331 Communists in four years, the Defense Ministry claims. The bag includes 2 small steamships, 6 motorized junks and 23 smaller craft.



A MILLION DOLLARS RUNNING FREE: Nashua romps on a blue pasture in Kentucky, farm from the thick-carpeted banking offices in New York where a sealed bid changed his colors.

Nashua Really Had a Big Day at the Bank Recently

By JIMM YBRESLIN
NEA Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK — (NEA) — "This is," a shorse guy said, "a little out of my league. Do they have a two-dollar window around? I'd like to make a bet on who wins this thing."

This was in the thick-carpeted offices of New York's Hanover Bank, the kind of big, sturdy financial set-up that has absolutely no room for horse racing.

Yet the biggest racing news of the year was being made in an oak-paneled conference room. Bids for Nashua, the great horse with the strange tale to him, were being examined. Sunny Jim fitzsimmons, the 81-year-old trainer, wasn't there. Neither was Eddie Arcaro, the slim jockey who rode Nashua to so many victories.

Instead, you had a group of sober-faced bankers, legal-minded fellows who had, in their hands, the destiny of one of the finest thoroughbred horses the country has had.

Outside, the reporters and horse people waited around. They lounged at desks of vice-presidents and looked around the huge and desk-filled outer office.

"No," a bank officer was saying to one of the horse guys, "the personal loan department is not on this floor."

Through the big windows at either end of the office, you could see the light-flecked outlines of Wall Street's towering financial strongholds.

Then, at a little before five, neatly typewritten releases were handed to the gathering. Nashua, the paper said, had been sold for the record price of $1,251,200. Leslie Combs, 2d, of Lexington, Ky., would be Nashua's new owner.

While this was going on, the strapping Nashua was on a farm near Combs' Spendthrift Farm. He was sending his 1,200 pounds flying over the blue grass acres of Bull Hancock's thoroughbred establishment.

In the bank office, Charles Mapes, one of the executors of the late William Woodward Jr.'s estate was going over the sale in the painstaking way bankers have.

Yes, he was saying, there were five other bids for over a million dollars. And, no, the trustees did not expect such an easy time figuring who the purchaser should be.

As he spoke, another dark-suited banker knocked the contents of his pipe into an ash tray on the scratch-pad littered conference table.

It reminded you of an August afternoon at Saratoga. A slim guy in a sport jacket was doing the same thing then, only he was rapping his pipe against a tree trunk.

Next to him sat old Mr. Fitz, his eyes gleaming as a big horse was led to him.

"How did it go, Eddie?" he asked as Arcaro jumped down from the horse he had just worked.

"Couldn't have been better, Mr. Fitz," he said. "He's ready to run Swaps a good race."

The slim man nodded at this, then looked at the horse. His wife, tall and striking, reached out to pat Nashua's nose. This was Bill Woodward and his wife, Ann, who were to be in the midst of tragedy a few months later.

The ellow knocked his pipe again. But this time it wasn't against the tree at Saratoga. It was in this big bank office in New York and they were knocking down Nashua — for better than a million and a quarter.

Poor TV Is Asset

FORT DAVIS, Tex. (AP)—Because Fort Davis has "the worst possible television reception," Harvard College of Cambridge, Mass., is thinking of locating its big, new telescope here.

Director Donald H. Menzel of Harvard's observatory said the telescope, which will permit observation of the sun by means of radio emissions, should be located where there's no television interference.

Raid Victims

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — The air raid sirens howled and Richmonders generally took cover in the face of a mock bombing as three B-26 planes droned over the city. All but employees of the big Federal building on Lombardy Street. A watchman reached for the alarm to send workers to the basement shelter and sounded the fire alarm instead.

All of the people in the building rushed out into the street.

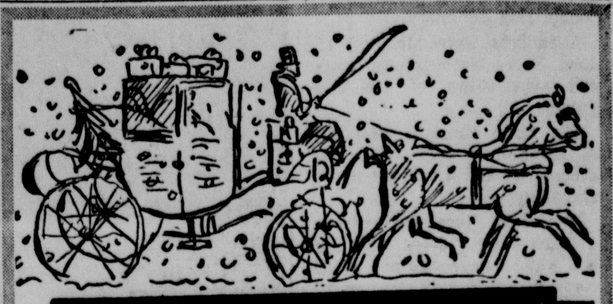
Coal is the chief mineral product of the state of Washington.

Hacksaw Rescue

EDGAR, Ariz. (AP)—For reasons best known to himself, 3-year-old Mulford Bigelow Jr. climbed into a milk can. He got stuck. Frantic efforts of his parents and friends failed to unstick him.

His father finally picked up the can—Mulford and all—and took it to a garage. A mechanic cut off the top with a hacksaw and pulled Mulford out.

Today's smoked meat products, especially ham and tongue, should be consumed no later than a week or ten days after purchase.



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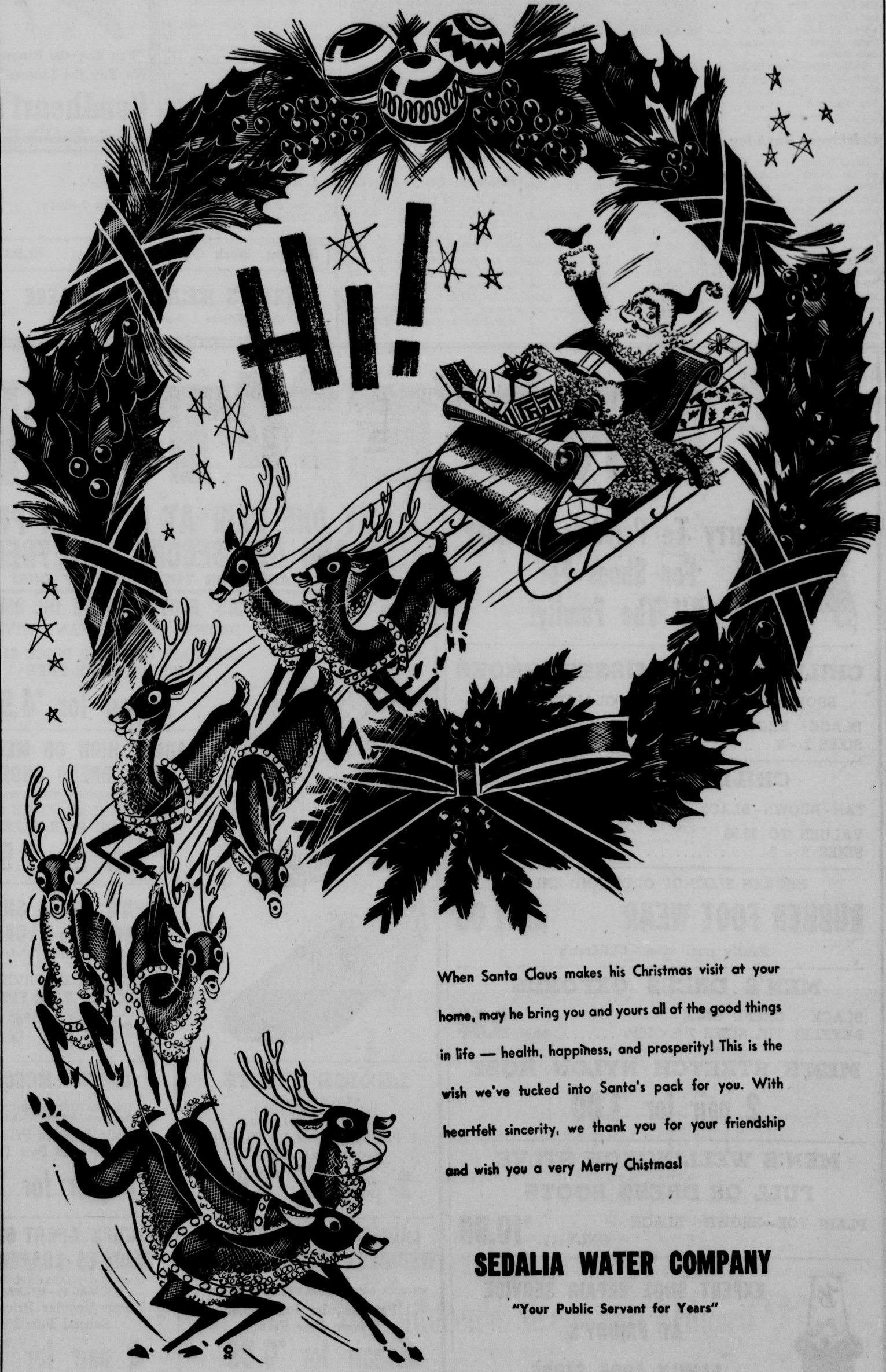

When Santa Claus makes his Christmas visit at your home, may he bring you and yours all of the good things in life — health, happiness, and prosperity! This is the wish we've tucked into Santa's pack for you. With heartfelt sincerity, we thank you for your friendship and wish you a very Merry Chistmas!

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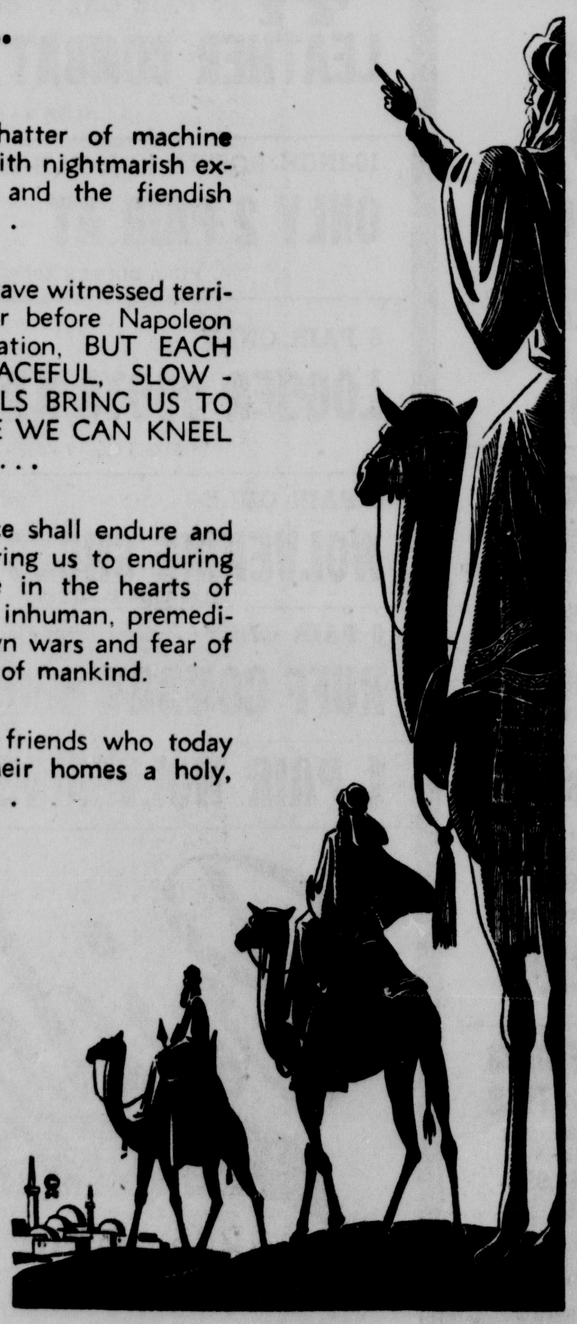

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We are grateful for yours
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The happiest Christmas
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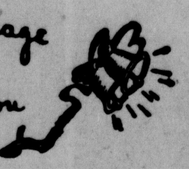

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Like the ornaments
On your tree — May
Your holiday be
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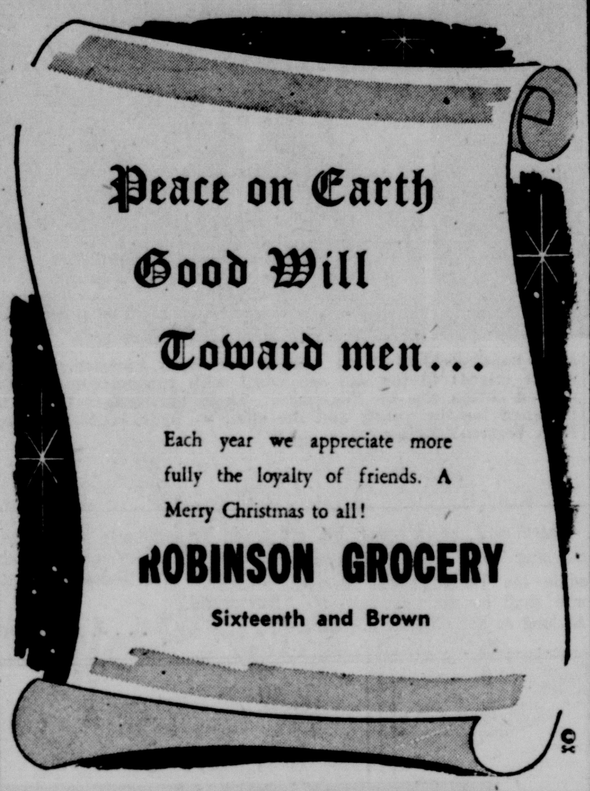

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Church Membership Figures For US Will Pass Million

By Associated Press

Church membership figures for the United States will pass the 100-million mark in 1956.

With the proportion of the population having religious affiliation steadily increasing, this interest will be projected more sharply into other spheres particularly the schools.

Already a ferment has developed over the extent of American religious illiteracy, stemming from the blackout of religious education in the public schools.

This problem seems bound to come under intensified scrutiny in

the months ahead, as the various faiths confront their own educational limitations, the rising parental demand for religious training, and the sensitive bounds separating religion and state institutions.

In a similar category, the struggle of America's heterogeneous religious bodies to find a more positive, mutually helpful accommodation with each other is likely to continue.

Throughout the year, research and regional meetings sponsored by the National Council of Churches will diagnose inter-church relationships, the studies culminating in a continent-wide conference on unity in 1957.

This kind of thing is symtomatic of an insistent urge toward spiritual fellowship that crosses denominational and national borders in these days of atomic nerves.

The World Council of Churches, with its Protestant-Orthodox ties and its hospitable inclination toward the Roman Catholic Church, is one of the products of the mood.

The movement may even reach into Russia soon. Qualified overtures have been made to the Russian Orthodox church. The tentative, scouting excursions a few American churches made this past year into Russia are apt to become a two-way flow of official delegations in 1956.

At home, with the Federal courts striking at racial segregation in state institutions, the churches will be striving to keep up in their own domain.

So far, the Roman Catholic Church, with its unified authority, has been the most forthright in cracking down on segregation, as evidenced by Bishop Waters in North Carolina and Archbishop Rummell in Louisiana.

By its nature, the Catholic Church seems to be taking the lead in this field, so far as concrete steps are concerned, which may have profound influences on colored people.

But others also are at work. The northern Presbyterian church has declarated on "Operation Desegregation" for 1956. Methodists, at their quadrennial assembly, will debate anew the retention of a separate Negro division within the church.

Northern Presbyterians will vote on ratification of a plan to permit ordination of women. The same question is to come up before the Central Conference of American Rabbis. . .

. . . George Cornell

Travel-wise clothes for winter vacations now and summer play later show sleek lines. Long shirt (left) in black-and-white stripe is trimmed in heavy white fringe and worn with narrow black pants in a heavy cotton knit. Sheath dress (center) in cotton knit is shown here in black-and-white, washes easily as a handkerchief. Both designs are from Smartee. Short shorts (right) in top sail are worn with turquoise-and-white striped cotton top by Fligelman. These are budget fashions, designed for the young and the slim. — By GAILE DUGAS, NEA Women's Editor.

See Nephew Play

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Miner and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Freeman, and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Snider, Warsaw, drove to St. Louis Saturday to see the St. Louis University-Ohio State Baskteball game played Saturday evening. at he Keil Auditorium. Playing for Ohio State was Robin Freeman, nephew of Mrs. Miner, Mrs. Snider, and Mr. Freeman. Freeman, senior at Ohio State, was All American last year and is leading the nation in scoring so far this year. Ohio State won Saturday's game with Freeman scoring 39 points. He is the son of R. R. Freeman, a former Benton Countian now living in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Perforated Parakeet

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (AP)—Prissy, pet parakeet of Dr. and Mrs. Orin McMillan, pecked too hard at its breast feathers and perforated its craw.

A doctor sewed it up several times but Prissy reopened it every time.

So Mrs. McMillan sewed Prissy a vest out of a nylon scrap, fitted it around the bird's neck and be-

JANUARY SAFETY — This drawing won first prize as the January safety poster in the American Automobile Association's nationwide contest for 1955-56 school safety posters. It was drawn by David Fugazzotto, School No. 69, Indianapolis, Ind. Poster promotes crossing only at corners.

The World May Have Some New Headaches Next Year

By Associated Press

The world will not have to work up a hangover New Year's Eve in order to start 1956 with a headache.

A 10-year accumulation of headaches will be ever-present and some may be added.

The cold war promises to become worse, with an economically strengthened Russia competing more actively for the minds of peoples. Hot war is not to be expected, unless it should develop through outbreaks in such spots as the Middle East or the Formosa Strait.

Britain and the United States will have to revamp policy to meet the threat.

The West German situation will remain in something of a balance. Rising nationalism will threaten her unity with the West, but she will get started on rearmament to even up with Russian efforts in East Germany.

As French political instability continues, the United States and Britain will assume more and more responsibility for Western policy. But France will rock along, without resort to totalitarianism.

War in the Middle East will be avoided, but only because of continuous Allied pressure on Egypt and Israel.

The campaign of submerged peoples for a place in the sun will be intensified. European countries which still seek to maintain colonial or semi-colonial operations will find their positions gradually deteriorating. Indonesia, Burma, India, and North Africa will move farther away from the West, and will not return until they have gained some maturity and lost some fear. Russia will be working these fields with every effort to make Communist hay.

There will be a good bit of marking time in Allied circles while the United States decides who shall be the next president. As long as her officials are handicapped by politics in making controversial decisions, so long there will be no firm leadership of the free world.

. . . J. M. Roberts

Santa In Concordia

Santa Claus made his appearance in Concordia the past three Saturdays and made his final appearance on Wednesday afternoon before Christmas. He distributed candy and gifts to children and adults.

Movies were shown for the youngsters on Saturdays at the local theater. Last Saturday afternoon chickens, geese and a turkey were thrown from the bank roof. On Wednesday, Merchant's Day, a larger number of gifts were distributed among the adults.

Healthy Teeth

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP)—A government researcher, studying fluoridation effects of Central High School students, says, "We've never seen better teeth anywhere in the country." A. L. Russel, DDS, chief of epidemiology and biometry branch of the National Institute for Dental Research, made the statement on completion of the second survey in two years at the school.

Grand Rapids claims it was the first city in the United States to add fluoride to its water supply in 1945.

Ceres, the first known asteroid, was discovered by Piazzi in Sicily during 1800.

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406 South Ohio

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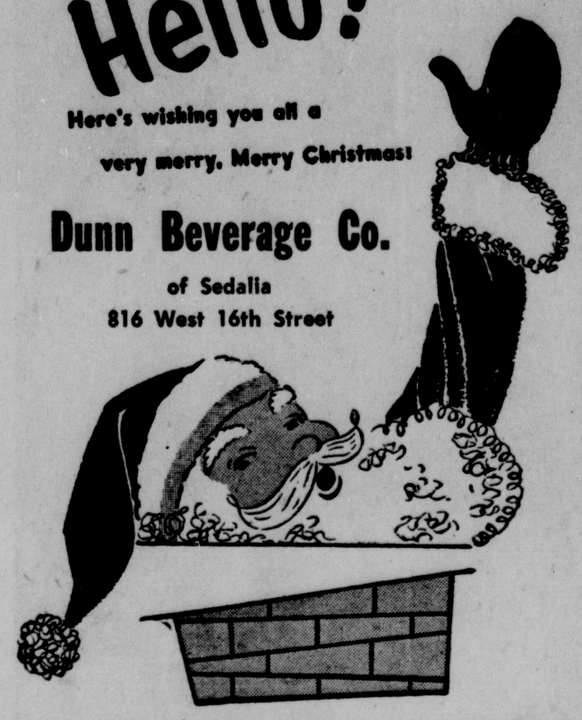

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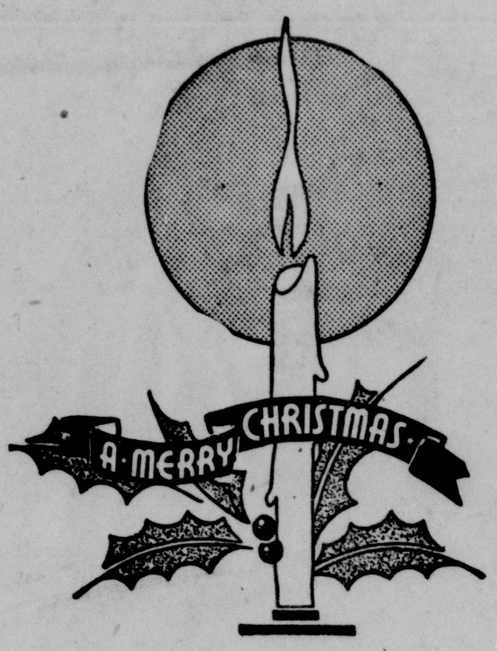

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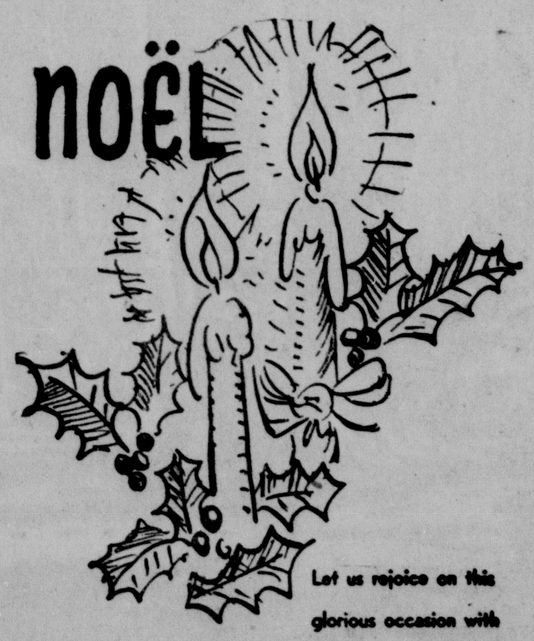

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Farm Problem Is the Major Question in 1956 Election

By Associated Press

The new year may be one in which the nation makes vital decisions for its economically ailing agriculture.

Smarting under five years of declining prices and incomes, many farmers and political leaders are demanding that the government develop more effective programs to stabilize agriculture.

These demands will lead Congress to consider new farm legislation and in all probability make farm problems a major issue in this year's presidential and congressional elections.

Debate over the issue is most likely to turn on the question of whether or not the government should play a greater role than ever before in regulating and controlling farm production, marketing and prices.

The Eisenhower administration has taken the position that government controls should be reduced to a minimum and that agriculture should have a maximum of freedom in determining its course.

On the other hand, many farm chief, Secretary of agriculture Benson. Demands were made last year by some farm groups and political leaders for his removal, but President Eisenhower stood firmly back of his Cabinet officers.

Unless Congress directs the use of the large-scale production payments or other subsidies to boost farm returns, it is likely that—barring an international emergency—agriculture income will decline further this year. It took a 10 per cent drop last year to put returns more than 25 per cent below post-war peaks.

Given favorable weather and other production factors, it appears likely that farm production this year will be as large, if not larger than last year's record volume. Increased use of machinery, better seeds, more fertilizers and the like are making it possible for farmers to produce more and more on the same number of acres.

On the other hand, there is little to indicate any sizeable increase in domestic and foreign demands for farm products. In fact, increasing production abroad is serving to reduce export markets for U.S. farm production.

policy critics—which include some Republicans as well as Democrats—contend that the government must take a greater role in agriculture—at least until war-inspired overproduction can be adjusted to peacetime demand if farming is to be kept out of a bankruptcy that could bring on a national depression.

This controversy over the government's proper role could well affect the future of the GOP farm

White heat marks are less noticeable on mahogany table tops after the marks are coated with spirits of camphor. Dampen a soft cloth with the solution and rub the spots lightly until they become invisible. Then wax and polish the wood.

Resort clothes generally show the trend to come in spring styles. And this year the big news in resort styles is shape. Curved and lithe and fitted are most of the trends shown. This means that a good foundation is going to be an integral part of coming styles. A long line pantie girdle and a brassiere with wide straps (left) might be the choice. Over it go shorts and a shirred bodice (center) or an oval neck playdress in country flower print (right). Both outfits are by Brigance.

US Armed Forces Face 1956 In World War With Reds

By Associated Press

The U.S. armed forces face a 1956 step-up in the world war between the Reds and the free West and a continuing cutback in U.S. armed strength.

At the Department of Defense, economy still is the watchword as the administration strives manfully to balance the budget. In all probability defense spending in the next fiscal year will be about the same as this year . . . around 35 billion dollars.

Sen. Richard B. Russell (D-Ga.) chairman of the Senate Armed Forces Committee, already has served notice that he is going to question whether the U.S. defense posture is being weakened.

The Pentagon is going ahead with plans to cut ground troop strength from 20 to 19 divisions and to slow procurement of fighter aircraft while stepping up guided missile research.

The Communists remain busy fomenting trouble and lighting brush fires which easily could flame into small wars. In the Middle East Communist arms were en route to Egypt late in 1955, and some French weapons were being delivered to Israel.

Growing antagonisms threaten the stability of western defense alliances stretching from Pakistan to Turkey.

The Russians have tried to stir up trouble between Pakistan and India over the fate of Kashmir.

In Burma, the Russians have fanned the old fires of anticolonialism into what they hope is anti-Westernism.

In Viet Nam the Communists continue to build up armed strength while clamping a stranglehold on the populace.

There were disturbing reports at year's end that the Chinese Communists still were conducting a buildup of land and air forces opposite the disputed offshore islands of Quemoy and Matsu and the Formosa headquarters of the Chinese Nationalists.

The Air Force is confronted by the fact that Russia now has about 1,000 more planes than the United States. The United States insists, however, that this quantity is offset by American quality.

The Navy, now operating about 1,150 ships, takes a dim view of the fact that Russia now has about 400 submarines — a startling figure when you consider that Germany began World War II with about 60.

The strategic planners also are confronted by the fact that in November, somewhere in Siberia, the Russians exploded a thermo-nuclear weapon with a potential rated at millions of tons of TNT, perhaps 20 million.

Ben Price.

POPULATION SHIFT—News-chart reflects changes in the world population picture caused by the Communist and anti-colonial movements since 1939. Figures indicate vividly the breaking of colonial ties and the expansion of Communist power. The "newly freed" category consists of those persons freed from colonial rule by the West since 1939.

Santa Pose Coaxes Stars' Yule Wishes

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Hollywood's face is as red as Santa's suit today.

That fellow behind the whiskers last night in the lobby of the Four Star Theater wasn't really Santa Claus. It was this hefty reporter who fits Santa's suit without the help of pillows.

The occasion was the premiere of "I'll Cry Tomorrow," the story of singer Lillian Roth and her battle with the bottle.

It was a glittering premiere with most of the big stars in attendance.

None suspected that Santa was something more than a prop for photographers. Else, George Jessel wouldn't have whispered in Santa's ear: "I want Darryl Zanuck fired so I can get his job." Jessel is a former Zanuck producer and probably will remain so.

And Joan Bennett, who told Santa: "I'm ready for anything that Santa can give me."

Starlet Judi Jordan, a real doll, was the only one who said she wanted a doll for Christmas.

"Preferably 6 feet 2 with blue eyes," she added.

Taina Elg, the Finnish ballerina under contract to MGM, said she wanted a baby boy.

Bobby sox idol Russ Tamblyn and his pretty, blonde fiancee, model Venetia Stevenson, want a house. They're getting married in February.

Dana Andrews wants a Mercedes-Ben, the model that retails for around $13,000.

Debbie Reynolds clutched Eddie Fisher's hand and said: "You've already delivered my present, Santa." The two recently were wed.

Miss Roth says she wants an Academy Award for Susan Hayward, who portrays her in the picture, and producer Arthur Freed said he wanted "a hit."

Liberace, dressed almost as flashily as Santa, with red bow tie, a ruffled red polka dot evening shirt and red velvet evening slippers, said, "I'm the fellow who has everything. All I ask for is lots of happiness."

Unlike most fruits, pears that are tree ripened aren't superior to those harvested green. Pears have their best quality when ripened six to eight days in a place that's cool and humid.

"THANKS FOR SAVING MY LIFE"—Mark Gowing, 2, of Dayton, Ohio, smiles appreciatively at the man who saved him from drowning last spring. He's James Auld of Canton, Ohio, who recently received the President's Medal of the National Safety Council for the act. Auld applied artificial respiration after Mark fell into a lake near Canton. He learned the life-saving technique at the Republic Steel plant, where he is a steelworker.

Santa Claus Has Got Right Into the Spirit

ST. LOUIS (AP)—Paul Aufner, who plays Santa Claus at parties held by Deaconess Hospital student nurses for orphans and patients, got right into the spirit of the holidays this year.

Aufner said he'll give Miss Aubrey Brant, clinical instructor of medical nursing at the hospital, an engagement ring at the party tomorrow night. The couple plans to be married in the spring.

Pears combine well with many other foods in salads, fruit cups and desserts. They can be baked and served cold with a garnish of whipped cream or a bit of cream cheese.

Here's one for school lunch packers: split and butter yesterday's corn bread; spread with a mixture of crisp bacon and peanut butter or crisp bacon and chopped cooked prunes.

A broiler is easy to clean if the rack is greased with vegetable oil or shortening before being used. Also, the broiler pan should be taken from the range as soon as the cooking is finished so that grease and food won't burn on.

There are 2796 languages spoken in the world.

OFF GUARD—Two Papal Swiss Guards relax off duty playing ping-pong in their colorful Renaissance uniforms in red and yellow stripes. The guards are quartered in a wing of the Apostolic palace in Vatican City.

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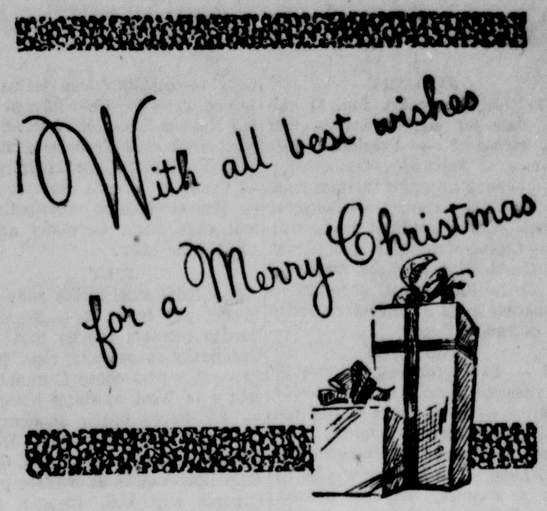

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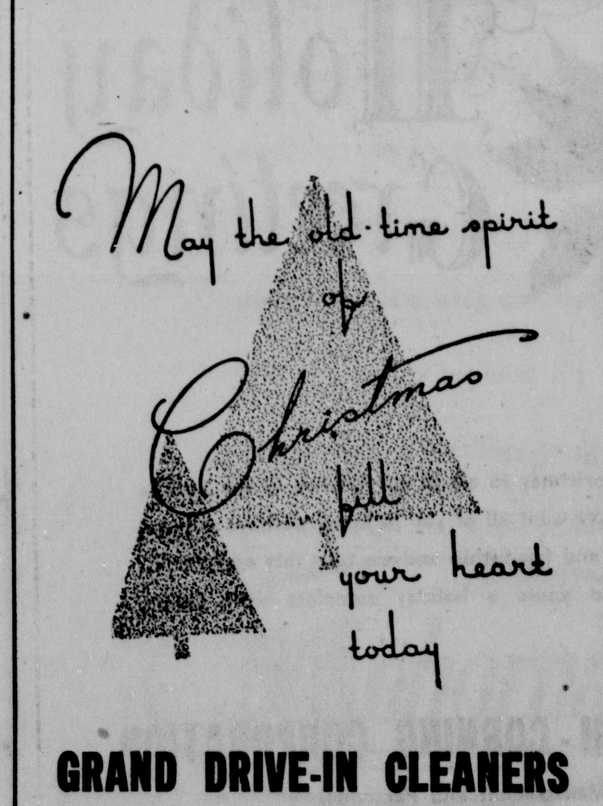

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Here Are Some Events That Made News This Past Year

JANUARY

1 President orders Jan. 31 cut-off date for end of Korean War GI rights. 2 — President Jose Remon of Panama assassinated. 4 —Stock margins raised from 50 to 60 per cent. 5 — Congress opens with Democrats in control. 6 — United States sells four planes to Costa Rico to fight revolt. 21 — Costa Rica revolt ends. 28 — Congress gives President authority to defend Formosa.

FEBRUARY

1 — Two tornadoes rip through Mississippi. Senate approves Asian pact. 3 — Soviet says it will use U.S.-type corn-hog farming. 5 — Mendes France government falls in France. 8 — Malenkov quits as Soviet premier, Bulganin named. 9 — Zhukov made Soviet defense chief. Senate approves Formosa defense pact. AFL-CIO merger approved. 11 — Tachen Islands evacuation completed. 15 — U.S. Atomic Energy Commission says lethal Radiation spread over 7,000 square miles in H-bomb blast a year ago. 18 — United States starts new atom tests in Nevada. 23 — Edgar Faure confirmed as French premier. 25 — Eight Manila powers end Bangkok meeting. 27 — Peiping frees two American students who praise Reds.

MARCH

6 — Egypt, Syria and Saudi Arabia join in political, military and economic pact. 10 — Moscow asks exchange visits of farm experts with United States. 11 —Tornadoes rip flood-swept Midwest. 15 — Senate defeats $20-a-person tax cut. 16 — John Marshall Harlan confirmed as Supreme Court Justice. United States releases record of Yalta meeting during World War II. 18 — Germany ratifies Paris pact. 19 — Harold Stassen gets Cabinet rank as special Assistant for disarmament. 27 — France approves German rearmament. 29 —Former Panama President Jose Guiado sentenced to eight years for complicity in assassination of Remon. U.N. Security Council condemns Israel for Feb. 28 Gaza strip attack. 30—Congress approves military pay increase.

APRIL

5 — Winston Churchill quits as British premier, declines peerage. 6 — Anthony Eden named British premier. 12 — Success of Salk polio vaccine tests announced. 15 — Soviet and Austria agree on pact to end occupation. 17 — Imre Nagy ousted as Hungary premier. 18— Bandung, indonesia, talks start among 29 African and Asian powers. Dr. Albert Einstein dies. 21— National Guard has surprise alert. 22 — French give Tunis internal autonomy. Stock margins raised from 60 to 70 per cent. 25 — Bandung talks end, anti-Reds pleased. 26 — Agriculture Secretary Benson studies Great Plains drought. 27 — Cutter Laboratories vaccine withdrawn after six cases of polio follow its use. 29 — Viet Nam civil war flares. Giovanni Gronchi wins parliamentary election as President of Italy with Red support.

MAY

2 — AFL and CIO agree on merger charter. 5 — Atom blast rips Nevada test town. West Germany becomes sovereign state as final pact ratifications are turned in. 6 — Salk Polio vaccine distribution halted temporarily. 9 — Bonn takes seat in NATO council. 10 — Eisenhower agrees to Big Four meeting. House shelves Alaska-Hawaii statehood. 15 —Soviet accepts West's bid to Big Four talks. Austrian freedom pact signed. 26 — Conservatives win British election. Soviet delegation visits Yugoslavia. 27 — Scores die as tornadoes lash Midwest. 31 — Red China frees four U.S. fliers; United States urges freedom for 52 other Americans.

JUNE

6 — Ford union wins lay-off pay contract. Polio vaccine freed for distribution. Indian Prime Minister Nehru gets ovation on Moscow visit. Soviet invites Konrad Adenauer, West German premier, to Moscow. 10 — President signs 8 per cent postal worker pay rise. 13 — General Motors union wins wage pact. Big Four agree to Geneva talks July 18. 15 — U.S. government moved to secret hideout in civil defense test. Reciprocal trade bill goes to President. 17 — Revolt starts in Argentina; President Juan Peron and others excommunicated by Pope. 20 — Uni-Saar rejects European status two to one. 27 — Big Four foreign minted Nations holds 10th anniversary session in San Francisco. 22 — Scelba Cabinet quits in Italy. 28 — Congress extends draft law. 30 — Hoover federal reorganiation unit ends work. Germany agrees to Moscow talks.

JULY

1 — Brief steel strike ends with 15-cent pay boost. 2 — Secretary Benson retracts charge that Wolf Ladejinsky is security risk. 10 — Three GIs who chose Communism return to West at Hong Kong. 11 — Air Force opens academy in Colorado. President kills Dixon-Yatse power plan. 13 — Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby quits as welfare chief. Experts say U.S. income over 300 billion for first time. 15 — Juan Peron says he will be Argentina's constitutional president. 16 — Casablanca riots bring martial law. 17 — Soviet farm experts in United States while U.S. experts tour Russia. Big Four meet at Geneva. 21 — President Eisenhower asks air inspection and arms data exchange with Soviet. Seawolf, second atom submarine launched, keel of third laid. 22 — Farm income down 4 per cent say U.S. experts. 23 — Big Four end talks, hail "new friendliness." 26 — Congress passes military reserve bill. 27 — Bulgaria shoots down airliner with 58 aboard. 29 — United gstates says it will launch earth satellites. 30 —Congress passes $1 - an - hour wage minimum law. 31 — Representatives of United States and China open Geneva talks.

1 — Red China frees 11 U.S. fliers. Harold Talbott quits as Air Force secretary after investigation of his business connections. 2 — Congress passes housing bill. Yugoslavia to resume Moscow Communist tie; Tito says Soviet no longer seeks world conquest. 3 — Congress adjourns. Rediscount rate raised from 1¾ to 2 per cent. 7 — U.S. fliers freed by China charge they were tortured. South Koreans riot against truce unit. 9 — Experts report 64,955,000 U.S. jobs. 11 — Geneva atom meet told of hope to harness power of H-bomb. 12 — Hurricane Connie hits Carolina. 13 — Soviet plans 640,000-man military reduction. Hurricane roars north through Pennsylvania. 15 — Geneva conference told granite holds almost unlimited atom fuel. 17 — High winds hit Carolina from Hurricane Diane. 19 — Floods rip northeast from dyingn Diane. President cuts bicycle duties. 20 — Geneva atom conference ends. 21 — Hundreds die in Casablanca riots. 29 — Supercarrier Forrestal starts sea trials. 31 — Peron offers to resign but rescinds offer.

3 — Poland and Albania follow Russia and Cechoslovakia in arms cuts. 4 — Experts report record 65½ million U.S. jobs. 6 — Red China says it will free 12 of U.S. citiens it holds. 13 — Moscow and Bonn agree on diplomatic relations. 16 — Red China frees two more Americans. Argentina civil war flares. 17 — Russia gives up naval base in Finland, grants soverignty to East Germany. 18 — Hurricane Ione hits Carolina. 19 — Hurricane Hilda hits Mexico. 20 Argentina's Peron, overthrown, heads for exile. U.N. Assembly opens. 24 — President Eisenhower has heart attack. 27 — Egypt says she will buy arms from Soviet. 29 — United States starts moving troops from Austria to Italy. 30 — French walk out of U.N. Assembly because of Algerian debate.

OCTOBER

1 — Supercarrier Forrestal commissioned. 5 — Railroad trainmen win 10½-cent pay boost. 8 — Supercarrier Saratoga launched. 12 — American Legion convention asks United States to cut UNESCO tie. 15 — Locomotive Firemen and Enginmeen win 17½-cent wage boost. 16 — Hurricane Katie hits Haiti. 23 — Bao Dai out as head of South Viet Nam as Ngo Diem wins vote.

isters open Geneva talks. 29 — Sultan Mohammed ben Arafa renounces Morocco throne. 31 — Former Sultan Mohammed ben Yousseff back in France from exile. Princess Margaret says she will not marry Capt. Peter Townsend.

NOVEMBER

2 — Adm. Richard E. Byrd given control of U.S. antarctic activity. 5 — France recognizes Youssef as sultan of Morocco. 6 — Ford announes plans for first public sale of company stock. 13 — President makes Gettysburg temporary U.S. capital. 14 — Youth says he put time bomb in airliner and killed mother and 43 others. 16 — Big Four foreign ministers' talks end in failure. Sultan Youssef returns to Morocco. 25 — Algerian compromise brings French back to United Nations. 30 — Faure dissolves French Chamber as cabinet falls, plans elections.

DECEMBER

2 — AFL-CIO merger completed. 3 — Georgia Tech students riot for Cotton Bowl game with Pittsburgh. 7 — Attlee ends British Labor party rule, made an earl. Record 63,800,000 jobs. U.S. personal income of 309½ billion dollars reported. 10 — Eisenhower shows signs of fatigue. 12 — Israel attacks Syrian Sea of Galilee posts. Ford Foundation gives half billion to schools and hospitals. Dr. Otto John, German intelligence chief who went to East Germany in 1954 returns to west. 14 — Hugh Gaitskell heads British Labor party. United Nations admits 16 members.

Replaced

The hand sicle, such as was used by the ancient Egyptians to harvest grain continued in general use until displaced by the grain cradle in the late 1700s.

Misnomer

Few centipedes have as many as 100 legs. The common house type has only 15 pairs; the garden variety, 21 pairs; and some species have as many as 200 legs.

Minnesota has 8,287 miles of railroad.

It isn't always a man's neighbors who come in late—sometimes it's his wife's husband.

Long Way Home

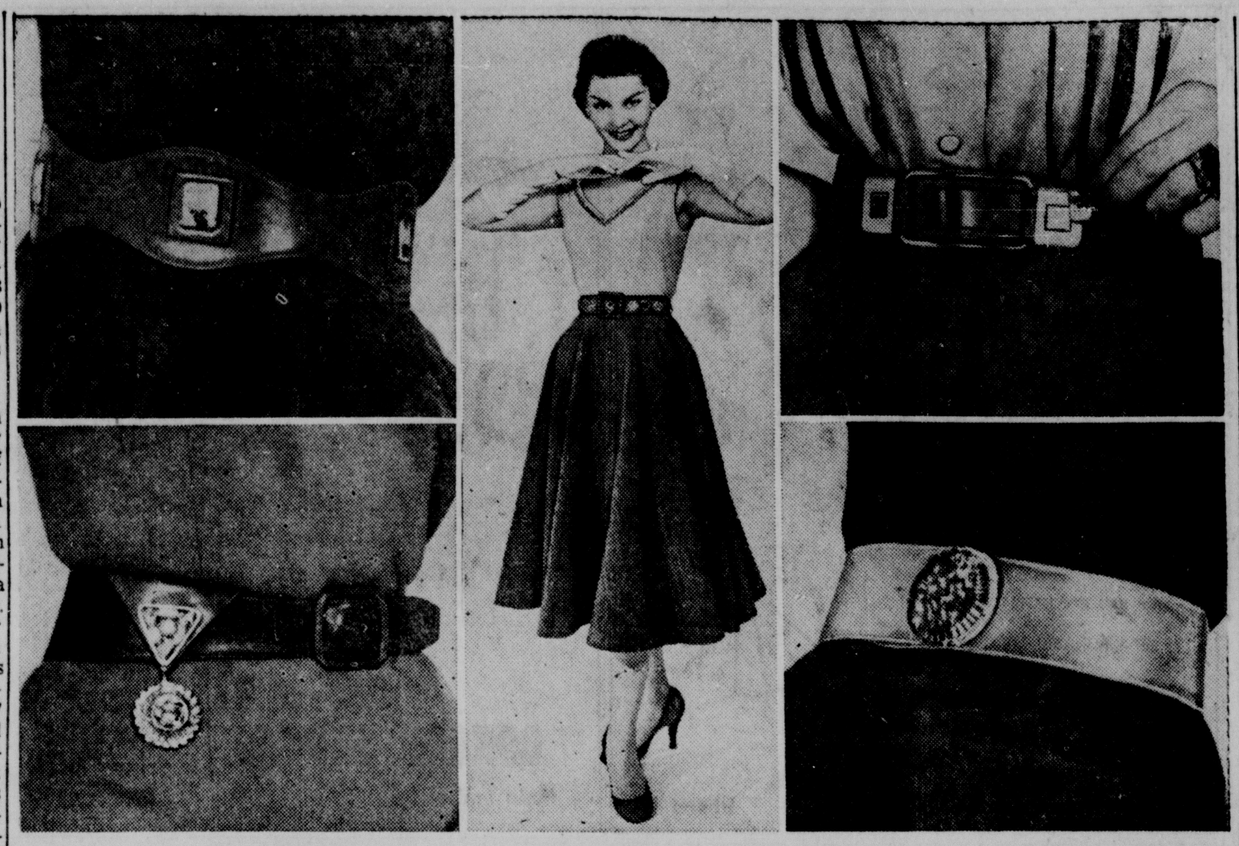
BOZEMAN, Mont. (AP) — A flag from the Philippines — a prize of war — has taken the long ride home. In World War II, a Japanese soldier seized it. Later M. Sgt. R. R. Holden took the flag back and brought it with him when he returned to Montana State College on the science faculty.

When Juan de Rodriques, a Filipino provincial governor, returned to his alma mater, Montana, to receive a doctorate of laws honorary degree, Holden presented the flag — to take it home.

Stuck!

KNOXVILLE, Tenn (AP) — A teenage hotrodder succeeded in outfoxing himself in his attempt to lose a couple of pursuing traffic cops. He mired his low-slung, fedderless job in a ditch, and had to escape on foot. Police are waiting for him to claim the expensive hotrod, towed to headquarters by a wrecker.

About three out of every 10 drivers involved in fatal accidents during 1954 were violating a speed law, says the National Safety Council.



Belts in festive leathers and fabrics, with glittery decorations, wide and narrow, all make over a wardrobe for the holidays. Four cloisonne picture playing cards decorate a royal-red scalloped leather belt (upper left). Black calf leather (lower left) gets a jeweled watch fob to dress up a sheath. Glittery jewels (center) fancy up a belt of peacock-blue calf, to be worn with separates. Feminine favorite, initials, go into metal squares on calf belt (upper right). For that dressiest of parties, a 24-carat gold leather belt (lower right) with a jewel, is end in luxury. It's perfect with plain black sheath.

Belts in Festive Colors Can Make The Season Bright

By ALICIA HART
NEA Beauty Editor

Gay, festive holidays. It can be raining outside and still the pleasure of seeing old friends, decorated living rooms and exchanging good wishes is not dimmed.

It's wonderful to have all sorts of new dresses for this season, but some of us can't always manage to get them. We cast about for ways to make that brave basic black do duty as a party dress. A scarf, a pin, a touch of this or that and it may pass, if the light is dim.

The greatest boon available to a budget and time-bound female is a really spectacular belt. If it's bright enough, it may even distract from that baby paw print on the shoulder, the award of honor to the departing mama.

A belt can be bought quickly, for it needs the easiest of trying on. The belt departments of most stores are on the main floor; so one can sandwich in the quick purchase of a holiday belt in no time.

This year, belts are as lush and splendid as the rest of the fashion picture. They range from positively royal gold leather to calf ones with inset initials, for the price of afternoon tea. They come in red and peacock blue, black and what have you. Gold, glitter, scroll work and jewels make them dazzling.

Many can shift their buckles from side to back to front, depending on the mood. All do the holiday honors to sheath dresses, separates, full skirts and pretty blouses.

Industrial Atomic Power Highlight of Coming Year

By Associated Press

Major research developments in the quest for economic industrial power from the atom can be expected among the science highlights of the coming year.

The Atomic Energy Commission says that during 1956 it will "be getting into the pay-off area" towards the objective of determining when, and by what specific means, atomic fuel can be made generallly competitive with power fuels from conventional sources.

During the year, says the AEC, "test operation" will begin for three out of a total of five different types of experimental "reactors"—or "atomic furnaces"—which the commission says theoretically "look promising" for pointing the way to economic power.

The commission says these reactors, and other test types to follow them, will begin to give major answers to questions about operating and other costs—information which will be necessary before the commission can make any forecasts about when competitive atomic power can be realized.

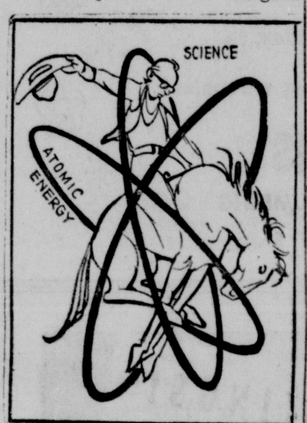
Among other expected science highlights of the year:

1. Perfection of plans by the United States and some 40 other nations for the International Geophysical Year in 1957-58 when history's greatest study of the earth, her oceans and the atmosphere above her will be made.

Among other things, developmental work on the United States' man-made satellites—planned for orbiting at heights from 200 to 800 miles above the earth—will be completed.

2. New findings about the inner structure of the atomic nucleus—research into which was further sparked recently by the discovery of a new sub-atomic particle, the antiproton.

3. Intensification of projects designed to study the effects of atomic radiation on man's health and environment.



In the fields of surgery and medicine, these are among possibilities for 1956:

1. Development of a surgical technique for replacing sections of diseased coronary arteries, or "unplugging" such arteries that are clogged up.

2. Further improvements in the already highly successful Salk polio vaccine. Also, a stepped-up research attack in the whole field of virus diseases.

The U.S. Public Health Service recently revealed hopes to have the Army test an experimental vaccine recently developed by the service against three of the dozen or more so-called "APC" viruses which can cause a grippe type of respiratory infection. The researchers stress, however, that the APC viruses constitute only one group among many viruses which can cause cold-type illnesses.

3. New information about the cause of cerebral palsy—information which may develop from an intensified research attack to be spearheaded by the government.

4. Broader use of the relatively new tranquilizing drugs—chlorpromazine and reserpine—as aides in the treatment of certain forms of mental illness.

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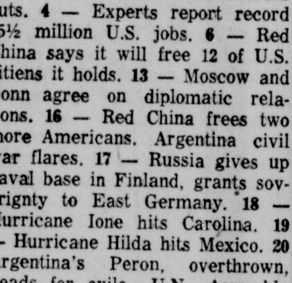

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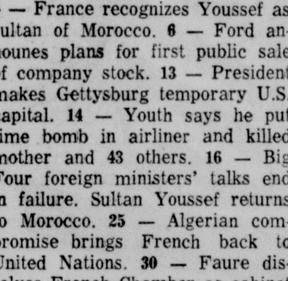

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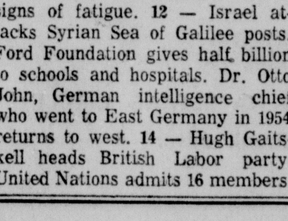

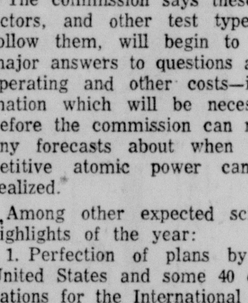

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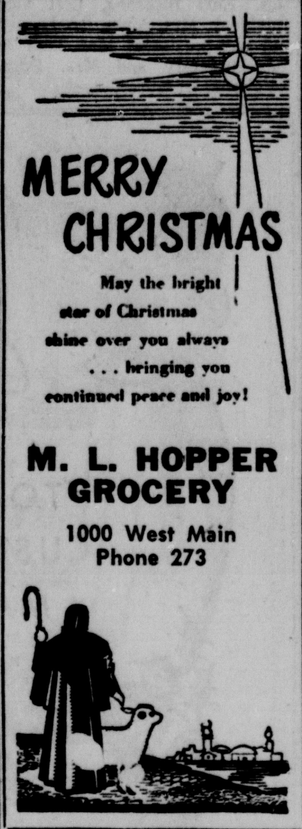

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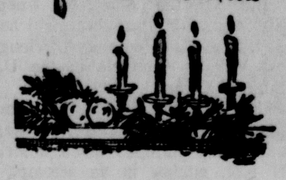

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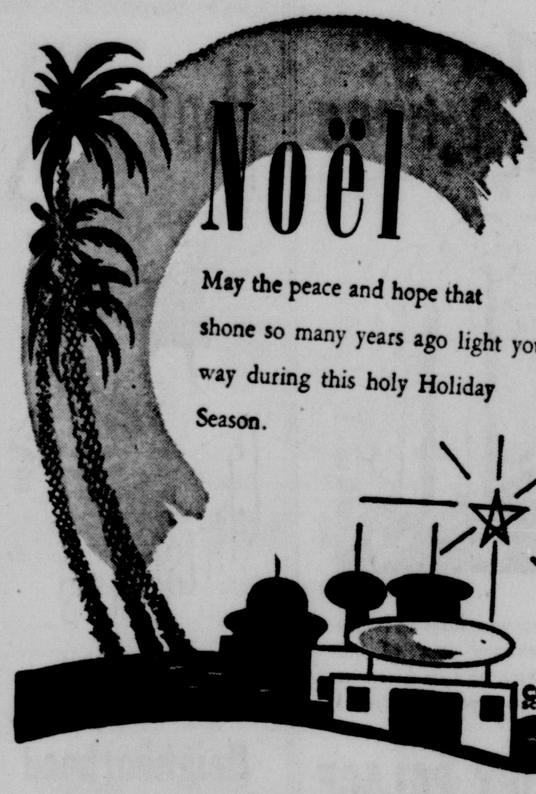

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Okinawa a Fortress With Headache For the Present

EDITOR'S NOTE: The quaint little island of Okinawa, only 500 miles from Red China, is America's principal base in the Far East Military leaders say it is atom bomb proof; but pressures from civilian sources might be a different matter. Here's the story of not-so-quaint conflicts in the land of the Teahouse of the August Moon.

NAHA, Okinawa, Dec. 24 (AP) — A decade ago Okinawa was engraved indelibly on the minds of Americans. U. S. troops fought the last bloody battles of World War II here in a campaign that spelled final disaster for Japan.

With V-J Day, the strategic island and the sacrifice that won it were forgotten by all but a few. But today Okinawa is once more of prime concern to all Americans.

The United States has built its first atom-bomb proof base on this island only 500 miles from Red China. But it is a fortress with a headache for the present and a possible Achilles heel for the future.

Top military leaders say this eel-shaped volcanic and coral rock could now survive an atomic attack and fight on "with its military potential unimpaired."

But only time can tell whether in the long run the American base will be able to survive pressure from:

1. Demands by all Japanes political parties for the island to be returned to Japan, its technical owner.

2. Hundreds of thousands of Okinawan farmers, many of whom say they are near starvation and all of whom are upset by the military's inroads into the island's precious farmland. They want the land back for farming.

The American government and military, however, have made clear that the U.S. base here will be maintained "for many, many years."

These spokesmen point out that all American troops eventually will be withdrawn from Japan and most have already been pulled out of Korea. This makes Okinawa America's principal bastion in the Far East. There are no important groups of U.S. troops anywhere else in Asia.

Certainly the sprawling, ultra-modern base looks permanent.

The heart of the fortress is shielded in great, underground bunkers. From the air, well-traveled roads that suddenly disappear—apparently into deep concrete caves—can be spotted all over the 67 mile long outcropping.

It is taken for granted here that some of the giant caves house an atomics weapons stockpile. The 280 m.m. atomic cannon are here. Planes to carry the big bomb are only hours away. The Nike anti-aircraft rocket is on the way.

One regiment of Marines is already here, and an entire Marine Division, about 16,000 men, soon will be stationed on Okinawa.

The Navy has an undisclosed number of land based planes, and its big carriers are nearby. The Air Force has two wings of Sabre Jets, about 150 planes, plus some aircraft of other types.

A 400-million-dollar construction program, begun in 1951 after a typhoon flattened earlier temporary installations, is bearing fruit. Modern concrete barracks, headquarters buildings, warehouses and thousands of family homes have blossomed on the southern end of the island.

But while this vast construction program pushes ahead, Japan's political parties and Okinawan farmers are pressing their own demands on the island's limited acres. Both of these pressures are growing. In a few years they could drive a twin wedge between the military and the Okinawans on one hand and the United States and its Japanese ally on the other.

Communists and left wing agitators are having a field day on both fronts.

American military and congressional leaders, shuddering at the possibility of American forces having to fight from an island base where the civilian population is hostile, have made many searching studies of the problem. But no solution has been found.

At the root of the difficulty is the ancient Oriental shortage of land: Okinawa just isn't big enough to meet the demands on its space.

For centuries, some 600,000 Okinawans have barely scraped an existence from the rocky soil, beset by periodic famines. Now some 45,000 Americans, including service men, civilian employes and their families, have moved in.

As the military importance of the island has increased, the demands of the defense installation have expanded. Already the military has taken over about 40,000 acres—about 17 per cent of the island's farm land. It wants at least another 13,000 acres.

Okinawans, who say some 50,000 families have been displaced, are not only opposing the military's demands for still more land; they want as much land back as possible. And they want 10 times the rent they now get for what is kept against their wishes.

The Okinawans have flatly rejected a proposal to pay lump sums for the land, insisting that the ignorant farmers would squander the payments and be worse off than before.

In Japan, the occupation of Okinawa is a growing source of irritation. Japanese newspapers devote much space to the hardships of the Okinawans, both real and fancied.

Here, there are approximately 1,142 persons per square mil3—22 times the figure for the United States. More than 50 per cent are farmers, working an average of less than one acre each. And as the military expands, this average shrinks even more.

The People's party, despite American efforts ot discourage its support, polled seven per cent of the vote in Okinawa's last election—April, 1954. It is labeled Communist by the military government. Its leaders have sparked demonstrations against taking of land, and the Army has been forced to remove owners with troops, tanks and bulldoers on at least two occasions.

"We've made mistakes here," admits one top general. But Maj. Gen. James E. Moore, the island commander, maintains that Okinawans are healthier than before the war.

Moore says that on the average, Okinawans eat better than before the war. He believes the island's people should cultivate their land more intensively and develop a more diversified economy

At present the economy is anything but diversified. The major crop is sweet potatoes, which were introduced from China in the 14th century to make up for the lack of rice. The test of wealth here is how often rice is eaten. The poorest eat only sweet potatoes.

The coming of the Americans has affected the welfare of Okinawans in a manner that is both profound and diverse. Even the islanders who have lost their lands express satisfaction with the schools that have been built. And the flow of American dollars has added meat and rice to the diet of many Okinawans.

Amid the bitterness of these people, most of whom still consider themselves as Japanese, the American colony lives a life of relative serenity.

Modern clubs, shopping centers, a small 18-hole golf course and many fine beaches are available for off duty recreation. Topcoats are rarely needed in the semitropical climate, which is spiced by about a half-dozen typhoons a year.

But for the American troops, life is anything but a tropical holiday. They have possibly the toughest training schedule in the U.S. military today.

Col. William M. Lawlor, commander of the 9th Marine Regiment, has clamped down a strict 11 p.m. curfew in an attempt to keep his men away from "cheap sex in the villages."

"We try to keep the men busy with sports," says the giant, deep voiced Lawlor, "and we march them and keep them training."

"Our job is to defend the island," says Lawlor. "I think we are ready to fight. I had a battalion in World War II, and these guys are every bit as good."

WomenDemocrats Hold Election

At a meeting and annual Christmas party of the Pettis County Women's Democratic Club held at American Legion Hall Tuesday evening, Dec. 20 and exchange of gifts was held and games played

Discussion was held relative to activities during the coming year and officers were elected as follows:

Mrs. E. J. Thomas, president; Mrs. Earl Birdsong, first vice-president; Mrs. Alpha Brown, second vice-president; Mrs. Tom Soter, Secretary and Mrs. Edgar Neighbors treasurer.

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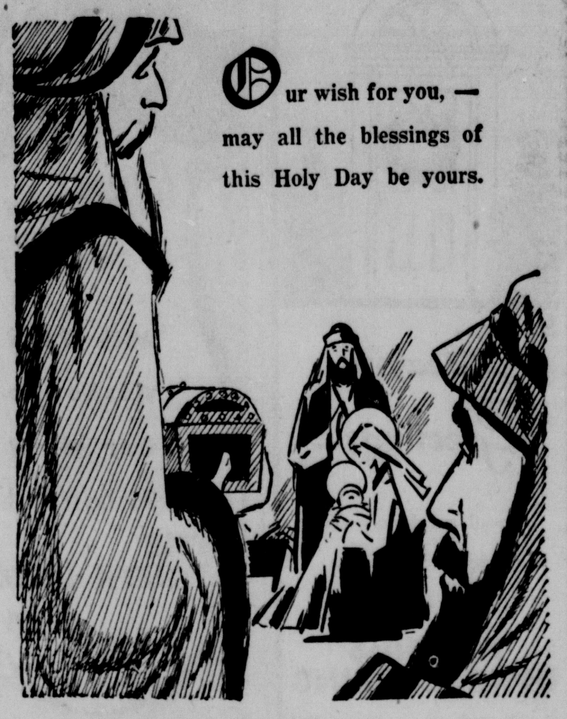

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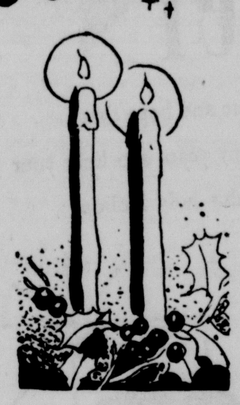

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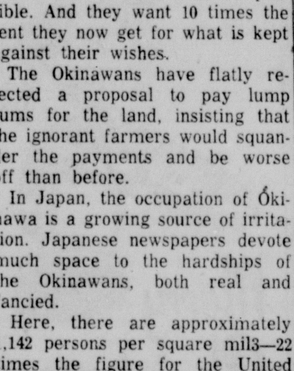

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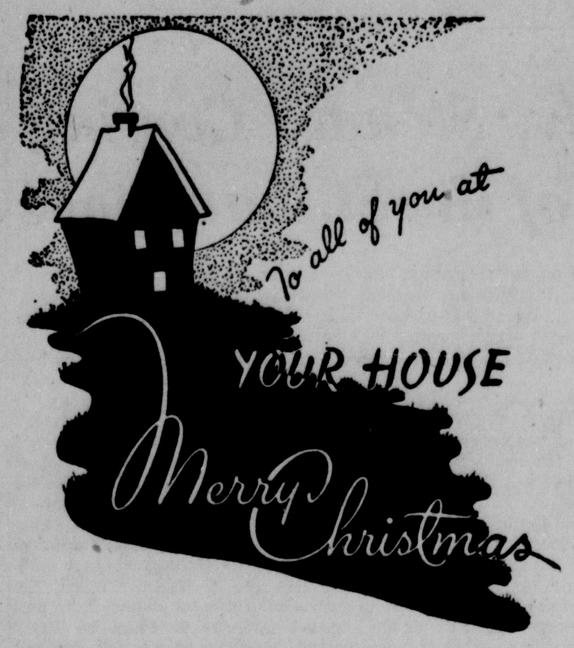

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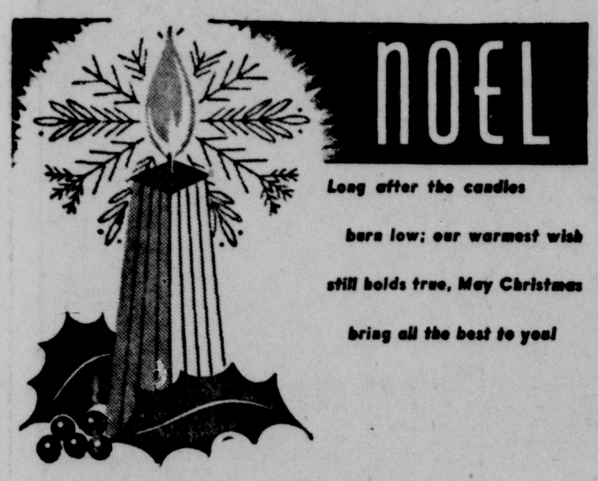

Long after the candles burn low; our warmest wish still holds true, May Christmas bring all the best to you!

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DURING THE HOLIDAYS

While we're taking our well-earned holiday rest, we've suddenly remembered that, in all the hurry and bustle of the Christmas rush, we've forgotten to wish you the season's greetings! We hope it isn't too late to say . . .

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Two Big Projects, Seaway and Power---

Mighty Dream Is Slowly, Steadly Coming True Along the Rapids of the St. Lawrence

Editor's Note—The big job of turning a long-standing dream into reality is under way along the 2,687 miles from Duluth to the Atlantic. But for towns and cities along the way, it's not yet certain whether the St. Lawrence Seaway will be a blessing or a curse. Here are the results of a special survey made on the seaway route to find out how the people who live there feel about it.

By BEM PRICE
AP Writer

For the grimy, dust-covered men on the bulldozers, the draglines and the giant earth movers, it is just another job.

In Massena, N. Y., it is crowded stores, crammed schools, trailer camps and high rents.

But for 2,687 miles from Duluth to the Atlantic Ocean this vast concentration of heavy construction equipment along the international rapids of the St. Lawrence River is a mighty dream coming true.

The dream? The job? Harness the river. Add 8,300 miles of deep water coastline to the United States. Cut a wider door into the industrial heartland of America and Canada.

Both the dream and the job embrace two separate projects—seaway and power. The seaway is a joint U. S.-Canadian venture. The power development is being carried out by the province of Ontario and New York state. Both will cost in excess of a billion dollars.

By the time the whole job is completed, perhaps by 1962, the electric power capacity of the two nations along the St. Lawrence will have been boosted by 13 billion kilowatt-hours and three quarters of the world's shipping will be able to sail into the heart of the Middle West.

To reach the far end of Lake Superior, oceangoing ships will be able to travel a 27-foot channel rising progressively through 15 locks, instead of the present 30, to more than 600 feet above sea level.

Once a ship is afloat on the 95,000 sqcare miles of Great Lakes, the riches of 17 states in the great inland basin will be available for transport. These states produce 31 per cent of the nation's industrial goods and 34 per cent of its agricultural products.

Moreovre, certain cities along the St. Lawrence and Great Lakes will be closer to Europe than are some Atlantic ports.

Montreal, for example, will be 300 miles closer to Liverpool than New York. And even as far up the river as Rochester, distance to Europe still will be 31 miles less than it is from New York.

But the big factor, according to seaway supporters, is the fact that shipment by water direct to Europe from Great Lakes ports will be cheaper than the present system of shipping by rail to the East Coast, then by freighter across the Atlantic.

The St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corp., the federal agency charged with developing the American end of the project, estimates that by 1970 the new seaway will be approaching its capacity of 55 million tons of cargo.

The impact upon the nation's economy may well be incalculable, as old patterns of commerce are changed.

From one end of the Great Lakes to the other, cities and towns are busy with plans for the day when they will be true international ports.

They have visions of a wide variety of new businesses, now common in Atlantic ports, settling in their midsts—export and import brokers, marine insurance agents, foreign exchange banks, ships candlers, dry docks, hull and engine repair shops and electrical service agencies.

For the 58 million people in the Lakes basin cheaper water transportation may mean cheaper goods from all corners of the globe. Further, the drop in transportation costs may enhance their competitive position in world markets.

All along the projected route of the channel cities are busy assessing needs, raising money and making plans.

In Detroit the auto makers are awaiting completion of the seaway with great hopes. A Port of Detroit commission has been formed to govern development of 25 million dollars worth of needed and expanded harbor facilities.

Chrysler Corp., for example, which now moves only six per cent of its exports by way of the Lakes, predicts this figure will jump to 80 per cent when the seaway is completed.

Shallow draft vessels along the Lakes now carry 65 per cent of the export trade of the Burroughs Corp., makers of business machines. Burroughs figures it will up this figure to 90 per cent.

No city along the waterway has moved more rapidly than Chicago to develop a first class port. The Chicago Port District Authority, a state agency, already has issued 24 million dollars worth of bonds and begun expansion of docks and ware house facilities on a 200 acre tract. In time Chicago plans to spend 125 millions.

ager for the Chicago Authority, anticipates that the present foreign freight traffic of about 150,000 tons will jump to around a million tons in 1959.

Along the south shore of Lake Erie Cleveland, Lorain and Toledo, Ohio; Erie, Pa., and Buffalo, N. Y. already are deep in competition for new trade.

Last month voters in Cleveland approved an eight million dollar bond issue to begin improvements along its whole lakefront.

The steel city of Lorain is spending 10 million for harbor improvements it needs even without the seaway. Once the harbor work now under way is completed, the city plans to go after more seaway trade.

By a rousing two to one margin, the voters in Toledo approved issuance of nearly three million dollars worth of bonds for harbor improvements over the next five years.

At the top of Lake Erie, Buffalo is just beginning to move toward harpor improvements. A new port authority has been established and has begun consideration of a $50,000 report, paid for by the city, which estimates that 27 million is needed to turn Buffalo into a first class port.

Erie is assessing needs above and beyond the present 12 industrial docks that handle bulk commodities such as coal, grain, oil, gravel, paper and ore.

John S. Bowman, executive vice president of the Greater Erie Chamber of Commerce, is hopeful that the seaway will make Erie into a major world port.

"We are," said Bowman, "12 hours closer to world trade than Cleveland or Detroit."

At the opposite end of the Lakes chain is Duluth, a city which first regarded the seaway with mixed emotions. Now fear of the seaway seems to have given way to a steady optimism about the future.

Duluth, initially feared what would happen to the vast iron ranges of Minnesota once the high grade Labrador ore became easily accessible through the seaway.

Even now Harry Zinsmaster president of a bread company and a director of the National Assn. of Manufacturers, says, "I believe the shipping of Labrador ore may do us a lot of harm."

A more optimistic view is taken by Charles G. Hagelin, port manager for Nicholson Transit Co. Hagelin believes Duluth is "a natural gateway to the entire West" and predicts the city one day will become "a large intermediary point for incoming and outgoing shipments."

Milwaukee is taking the development of the seaway in stride. The Municipal Harbor Commission recently submitted a five year improvement plan calling for the expenditure of five million dollars to the city council.

The coming of the seaway to New York State has encouraged the towns of Massena, Ogdensburg and Oswego to think in terms of expansion. Each hears opportunity knocking.

When Congress approved the seaway's first construction last year, Massena staged an impromptu celebration.

A year later the initial exhuberance has changed to sobriety. An influx of construction workers has swelled the town's population by 2,000 to 17,000. Trucks rumble unceasingly through the village, pounding the main street. Schools are overcrowded. The lone hotel and boarding houses are overflowing.

There is some resentment in the village from residents who will be flooded out of their homes, but not a great deal. New York has set aside 85 million dollars to buy land and property which will be inundated by the backwaters from the hydroelectric projects.

So far Massena has done little but talk about harbor improvements. It has been too busy trying to take care of immediate civic problems.

Along the Atlantic seaboard the coming of the seaway has been greeted glumly, by and large, though some profess a measure of optimism.

John Holloren, manager of the Maritime Assn. of the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce, said that in his opinion the seaway "undoubtedly will result in a loss of 20 to 30 per cent of the total import export cargo ... our only possibility ... is to provide a reduction of inland railroad rates."

In Philadelphia Port Commissioner Harry G. Schad observed that the city would lose business "but I don't think it will lose nearly to the extent that Baltimore and New York will."

What will happen to the biggest port of them all, New York City? William F. Giesen, general manager of the Maritime Assn. of the Port of New York, said, "We'll be hurt, but I don't know how much."

The New York Board of Trade, which consistently has fought the seaway, estimates the project will affect the incomes of about 25 per cent of the people in the port area.

"SMILE PRETTY" — The parakeet on little Colleen Watson's head is being uncooperative. It was supposed to stay on top of the camera to make Colleen, of Los Angeles, Calif., "smile pretty." But it wanted to get in the picture, and just look at the result!

Lincoln MFA Meeting

Approximately 350 persons attended the Lincoln MFA annual meeting at the high school Friday night. A program of appropriate music was furnished by the Stover Whiskered Band.

A short business meeting, presided over by Herbert Bockelman, was held and the following men elected from a list of eight for two year terms: Edward Keseman, Arthur Kroenke, Leo Eken, and Ray Comer.

Refreshments were served before the new board was organized with Eken as the president; Ray Burton, vice-president; and Keseman as secretary treasurer.

Welcome Warmth

Harbors of northern Norway, well above the Artic Circle, are ice-free throughout the year, warmed by the northward drift of the Gulf Stream.

No Installments!

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — Jack B. Cody, a small loan office manager, neglected to make his payments promptly on 17 parking tickets that would have cost him $24 in all. Some of them were more than five months old.

The judge declined to grant Cody's plea for three or four days time to raise money to meet his larger obligation—a fine of $425.

Prompt payment of the tickets, said Cody "was just one of those things I never got around to."

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Flight Into Egypt - -

Again Lu Hung Nien translates a Western scene into a form easily pictured by the Chinese mind. The weariness of the Holy Family making its way along a dusty road into Egypt becomes this desolate water scene. Even the bird, upper right, has been painted to heighten urgency of the journey, undertaken in obedience to the angel which appeared to Joseph, warning of Herod's wrath.

No Room in the Inn - -

Lu Hung Nien was considering conversion to Christianity when he painted "No Room in the Inn," at the age of 24. The austere chill of a wintertime Chinese landscape translates into Eastern idiom the heartless preoccupation of a Bethlehem, intent on making the most of the opportunity, as hordes of taxpayers descended upon it in obedience to the taxing decree of Caesar Augustus.

Visit of the Magi - -

Symbolism of the Orient is blended with the Christmas story in this painting by Hsu San Ch'un, a convert to Christianity. The Magi represent the three traditional religions of China. Kneeling before the Babe is a Buddhist monk. At right is a Confucianist and in the center is Lao-tse, Chinese moralist, representing Taoism. Joseph is at extreme left.

Kipling Was Wrong--East, West Meet in Adoration of the Child

Kipling was wrong—East and West would not meet, he said, "till Earth and Sky stand presently at God's Great Judgment Seat." Converts to Christianity of all the races of man have long since met in worship before the manger where lies the Babe of Bethlehem. Each of the world's peoples has learned the story of the Infant Savior expresed in terms of its own culture. The Christmas story as seen through Chinese eyes is pictured below, in the fragile grace of traditional Oriental artistry. Paintings are reproduced by permission of Friendship Press and author Daniel Johnson Fleming, from whose book, "Each With His Own Brush," they are taken.

Poultry Platters

CORVALLIS, Ore. (AP)—For two years Martin Lobby, Corvallis poultryman, treated his flock to radio music to boost egg production. Then the music went bad and egg-laying fell off.

Lobby called Robert Brownell, power company service man. He determined that electric tools being used on plumbing repairs at a nearby school was causing interference with the radio waves. He solved the problem neatly and quickly by loaning Lobby his record player until the plumbing repairs could be completed.

And the hens began laying again.

Warm Weather Crooks

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (AP)—In the future, when an Anne Arundel County policeman wants a weekend off, he may pray for cold weather.

Police in this populous area south of Baltimore generally keep busy in the warm, gentle climate of southern Maryland. One weekend, for instance, was like summer in parts farther north. Twenty burglaries were reported.

The county had its first real cold snap the next weekend. Total burglaries: zero.

Good Advice?

DETROIT (AP)—When Patrolman John Pedrie saw Buster L. Goff screech his car around a corner, he stopped him and said:

"You've been drinking. Move over and I'll drive to the police station. If you keep on, you'll have an accident."

Pedrie then crashed the car into the rear of another while en route.

Multiplying Business

BIG SPRING, Tex. (AP)—Farmer R. L. Martin, who lives north of Sand Springs in this drought area, raises cotton and feed on his 80-acre farm, but makes his steady weekly income from raising rabbits. Sells about 65-70 each week.

"I knew that 80 acres wasn't enough to make a living anymore," he said in explaining why he started raising rabbits in 1950.

High Bus

DALLAS, Tex. (AP) — Fellow arrested on top of a garage gave as the excuse for his being there: he was waiting for a bus and thought that was the bus stop.

Red for Robber

CHICAGO (AP)—Miss Rena Chesi saw red when a robber told her to empty the till into a bag and give it to him. As he made his exit, she hurled a bottle of catsup and a water tumbler.

The catsup broke a window, the tumbler found no target. So, shouting, she took after him. Two passersby intercepted the fleeing man. Police found her money in his pockets.

Nosing Around

MASSILLON, Ohio (AP) — Police were smelling out suspects after the theft of 960 bottles of perfume and shaving lotion from a salesman's suitcase.

Cubans Have Two Holiday Gift Times

HAVANA, Cuba (AP)—Cuban parents face two present-giving holidays during the Christmas season. Children receive gifts from Santa Claus on Christmas and from the Three Wise Men Jan. 6.

Until recent years most Cubans followed only the Latin-American custom of showering toys on their children Jan. 6, the feast which commemorates the Three Wise Men's presenting gifts to the Christ Child.

Traditionally, Christmas in Cuba is a religious and family celebration. Members of the family gather late Christmas Eve, known as "Noche Bunea" or the Good Night, for a feast of young roast pig, black beans and rice and fried bananas.

Then off they go at midnight to an old cathedral or to a modern air-conditioned church to attend the Misa del Gallo or the Mass of the Rooster.

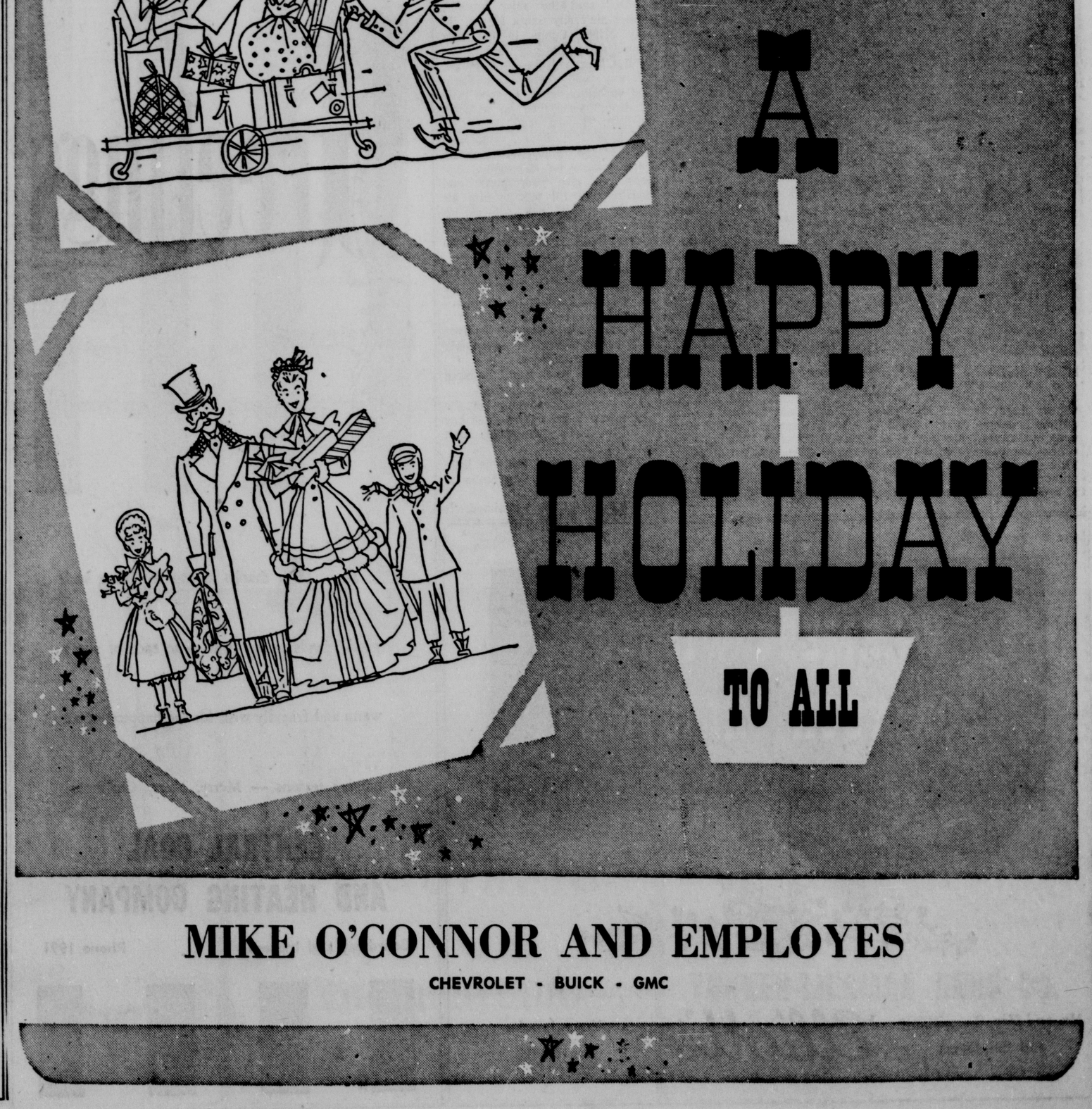
Before the last war only the more wealthy among Cubans had adopted the United States-type Christmas. Now it has spread to others. As early as mid-November Christmas decorations go up in stores, and shop windows are filled with gift suggestions. Imported evergreens are sold from sidewalk stands.

The Cuban government this year will distribute 200,000 food packages — each of which will include $1 — so the poor can hold their family dinners on Christmas Eve. The dollar will be used to buy a young tender pig for roasting.

On Jan. 6 the government will distribute truckloads of toys to poor children.

Slow Drivers Penalized

DETROIT (AP)—More slow drivers than speeders were ticketed during the first week unmarked police cars patrolled Detroit expressways. Police said 174 motorists received tickets for driving slowly in left hand lanes and 133 for speeding.



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To you, and you, and you, our friends, neighbors and customers! We gladly join with others whose privilege it has been to serve you in sending you our heartiest greetings!

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Zalin

SPORT CENTER

115 S. Ohio

The Substitute Santa

By Hazel Lang

The little electric train whizzed and clicked around the track, through tunnels, over a bridge, past a tower, around and around and around.

Tom Weston stood looking, not at the little train, but at the faces of the small boys who watched it.

This was the first time in his 25 years he had ever been in a toy department at Christmas. Oh, yes, there had been Christmas at his house and Santa Claus had come in the night, but he had never really seen Santa except from the window of his mother's limousine. Now and then he had an opportunity at Christmas time to glimpse the old man in the red suit standing on a corner. He had seen pictures of him, of course, and the nursemaid had told him wonderful stories. His own home had resembled a toy department on Christmas mornings, but Tom had not been happy with it all. He had wanted a dog, a cat, a rabbit, or even a white rat. Something with life to play with. He remembered how he had loved the little mouse that had gotten into his house and he had made a pet of it until the nursemaid discovered it one day in the big tin box back of his bed.

"What's in this box with the holes in the lid?' she had asked as she took the lid off. Then there was a terrible shriek and that was the end of the mouse.

Tom glanced around the big toy department with the many, many electrical toys, mechanical toys, wagons, bikes, everything, and his eyes wandered to the dolls.

He reached in his coat pocket and pulled out the note from Joe. "There has always been a Santa Claus before," read the brief note that Tom already knew by heart but which he read again.

Joe was an employee of the Weston Company and had been ill for the past six months. The morning mail had brought the note and a letter, to Santa Claus printed by a small child. It was signed "Jeanie" with the A and I twice as big as the other letters. The letter asked for just one thing—a walking doll.

Tom took a step forward and was hit with a force against his legs.

"Look where you're going'," said the voice of a small boy in disgust.

Tom started to say something as he looked down, but the voice had not come from the youngone, "even if it don't run. I'd like anything."

"Any other brothers or sisters in your family?" asked Tom.

"Yes, sure," said Danny. "Martha is six."

Tom thought of Jeanie's letter to Santa. "Martha is six," he repeated. Then she would like a walking doll, he thought.

"Well, I'll stay around until Santa comes," said Tom, "and I will tell him what you want."

"It won't do any good," said the brother, but that didn't dampen Danny's faith at all. "I know he will come," said Danny, "if you tell him."

The two boys sauntered on and Tom went over to the doll department to look at walking dolls.

The girl finished wrapping up the doll she had just sold and turned to her new customer.

"May I help you?' she asked brightly. Tom had never seen such blue eyes and her mussed red gold hair curled about her face.

"I'm looking for a walking doll," he said.

"Oh," she answered with a smile, "for your little girl."

"No," replied Tom, "for the little girl of a friend."

About that time an excited little man came up to the girl with "Santa just called. He's sick. What are we going to do? It is already 10 o'clock."

"What are we going to do?' asked the girl. "We've advertised Santa Claus will be here."

The girl looked upset. The little man kept wringing his hands, and Tom, who for the first time, really felt the spirit of Christmas surge in his whole body, offered a solution. "Could I possibly substitute as Santa?" he asked.

The blue eyes of the girl lighted up. The little man looked at him stunned. Neither of them had any idea who this man was offering to help them out.

"You see," Tom went on, crossing his fingers behind him as he had done when he told his nursemaid a little fib, "I am on vacation, and I don't have a thing to do, so I would just as soon play Santa as anything else. Besides, I think it would be fun."

A few minutes later Tom was following the nervous little man back to the dressing room where he donned the red suit, the black boots and the carefully put on white hair and whiskers. I look as real as the old man himself, Tom thought as he looked in the long mirror.

All day long he listened to the wants of youngsters, and even thrilled at the kisses some of them gave him. He asked questions about their home life, where their dads worked, what they wanted and when he felt that some of them weren't going to get their share from Santa he would reach for his pad and pen and write down the name and address.

For three days he took the place of the sick Santa and each day his list grew.

The few minutes when she wasn't too busy Ann Marshall, who was demonstrating walking dolls and selling dolls of all kinds, watched. He certainly didn't look like the young man who had come in at the right minute to save the day for Santa Claus and the store.

He had put his arm gently around her the second day and ster on the floor at his feet, it came from the older brother.

The youngster on the floor reached for his moth-eaten red cap and smiled up at Tom.

"Sorry, Mister," he said.

"That's quite all right," Tom replied. "I should have been looking, too."

"Have you seen Santa, Mister?" queried the tiny cherub who had managed by this time to pick himself up off the floor. "I got some things I want to ask him

"Ah," said the older brother, "there ain't any Santa for us. He only brings things to the kids whose dads can pay for it."

"But," argued the little fellow, "Johnny said there is a Santa and he brings things to good little children." He looked up wistfully at Tom. "I been good."

"I'll bet you have," Tom said patting the youngster's cheek, "and I know he will come. Suppose you give your name and address and I'll talk to him for

Tom took a pen out of his pocket and prepared to write across the envelope that he had received from Joe.

"Danny Watson," said the youngster, then he turned to his big brother. "Where do we live?" he asked.

There was a frown on the face of the older boy as he reluctantly repeated the address.

"What do you want?" asked Tom. "This electric train?"

Danny's face beamed, but the pessimistic voice of the older boy broke in again. "Naw, we ain't got electricity."

"But I'd like it," said the little asked what she wanted Santa to bring her.

"Oh, Santa," she exclaimed, "I want a mink stole, a diamond necklace, a—a—a—'

"Go on—' he said, and they both laughed.

But this was the end of the third day and tomorrow would be Christmas Eve, perhaps the last time she would ever see him, for his duties as the substitute Santa would be over.

"Wait for me," he had whispered when he started back to get out of his Santa costume. "I'll take you home."

She waited and she was a little shocked when he took her to an expensive car and opened the door to help her in.

"You never have told me what kind of business you're in, Tom," she said doubtfully as she drew back a little.

"Don't worry, honey," laughed Tom, "I make my money honestly. I sell these cars." Again he crossed his fingers behind his back.

Just then Tom felt a tug at his pant legs. "I've been waitin', Mister, did you tell him?" said a small voice.

"Danny," Tom looked down into the bright little face, "what are you doing here? It is dark. You shouldn't be out alone in the dark."

"I didn't go back and ask him," said Danny. "I thought maybe you could talk to him for me."

"I did," said Tom, "and now I'm taking you right home. Your mother will be worried."

Tom drove up to the address Danny had given. It was a big tenement house and he was glad Danny had waited for him that night. How would he ever have known where to find Danny in that place? Then, too, there were many others in that house who needed Christmas, Tom was certain of that.

"I'll be a few minutes," he said to Ann as he got out of the car and lifted Danny on the street.

"You know all of the people who live here, Danny?' he asked.

"Sure," said Danny. "There's Grandma Archer across the hall from us, there's Al and Sam and Kate and June—"

Tom kept writing as the little boy talked, and now and then he would stop him to find out the ages of children and a little about the families.

When he again slipped back into the car beside Ann, he smiled at her. "I've been asking everybody for three days what they wanted for Christmas," he said, "and nobody has asked me what I wanted."

Ann took the cue. "And what do you want for Christmas?" she asked.

"I want a walking doll, with blue eyes and red gold curls. I want one that can talk, too. I want her to say 'I love you'."

"Tom, you're silly," Ann giggled. "We don't have a doll that says that."

"Says what?" he asked.

"I love you"—the words slipped out before she realized that was exactly what he wanted her to say.

"You do?" he said delightedly as if what she said was a big surprise, "Gee, honey, I love you, too." He looked over at her in the far side of the seat. "Couldn't you move over a little closer?"

The lights gleamed from houses inside and out. This was Christmas magic that Tom had never felt before. "How about dinner with me?" he asked.

"I'd have to go home first," she said, and when they reached her home she asked him in to meet her family.

This, too, was a new adventure for Tom. Unlike the mansions he had been used to all his life was this average American home with the warmth and charm that shines from a house where every single bit of homemaking is done with love. In the window was a big Christmas tree, Tom had noticed it from the outside as they drove up, and beneath it were stacks of gifts wrapped in gay paper and tied with ribbons of all widths.

The father put down his pipe and newspaper and stood up as he saw the young man with his daughter. His smile and handshake were genuine. The mother came in smiling from the kitchen. There was the smell of Christmas baking mingled with cooking of what Ann's family called supper. A long, lank boy in his teens unfolded from a comfortable chair and stood up, too. There was a friendly grin on his face and he crossed the room awkwardly to where Tom stood. A small girl on the floor, punching and squeezing the Christmas gifts, looked up in surprise and her eyes got bigger as she looked at Tom. This was Ann's family.

After she had introduced them all. Ann rushed into the bedroom to powder her nose and slip into another dress. She hadn't explained a thing, but Tom did. "I'm taking her out to dinner," he said.

It was a wonderful evening for both of them. The cozy little place where they had dinner was not like the places Tom usually took his dates, but then Ann was different. Later he would take her where the lights were bright and the music gay. Tonight he wanted her alone.

When he left her at her door he said, "Tomorrow night is Christmas Eve. I want you to go out with me again on a rather odd mission."

There was a question in Ann's

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ELECTRIFIED LEARNING—An electrical board is adding interest and simplicity to arithmetic lessons in Mrs. La Rayne Stumpf's second-grade class in Chicago, Ill. Mrs. Stumpf watches above as Barbara Albrecht and Garth Freeman test their brain power on the board, on which arithmetic problems and answers appear in jumbled sequence. Light on top flashes when the student applies one end of a "finder," two radio jackplugs attached by a long wire, to the problem and the other end to the correct answer. Mrs. Stumpf's husband, a high school industrial arts instructor, helped her design and construct the board, and other visual aids to learning that she uses.

GIDDAP!—Alex Kerr seems ready for a jaunt through the Ascot, England, countryside—on tigerback. Actually, though, the animal tamer is training the tiger for his new circus act. Kerr thinks nothing of riding tigers, leopards and lions.

HE'S SANTA TO THESE KIDS—Santa never gets older, but he does get younger. Proof of that is little Raymond Geist, 4½, foreground, who's giving his Christmas presents to children whom "Santa might forget." Two years ago Raymond became the one millionth person to ride the B. F. Goodrich moving rubber sidewalk at Chicago's Museum of Science and Industry. As a prize the rubber company promised him toys each Christmas for 10 years. This year, Raymond is giving the toys to children at a Chicago nursery school. The company is helping out by adding a truckload of toys. With Raymond is Company Representative W. E. Evans.

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GREETINGS

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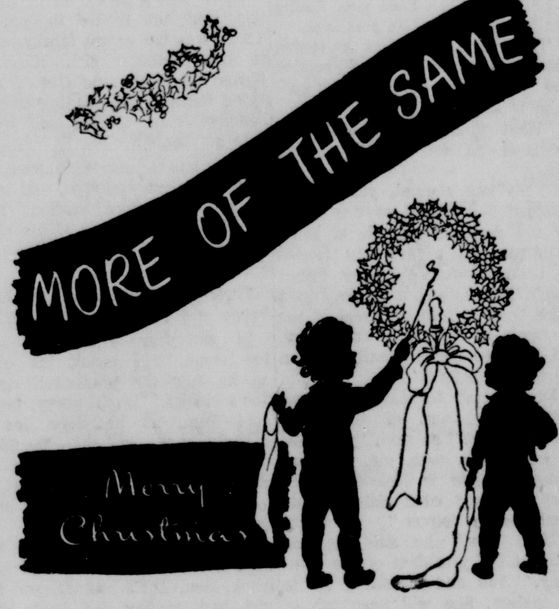

MORE OF THE SAME

Merry Christmas

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May this season bring you and all your loved ones, much Happiness!

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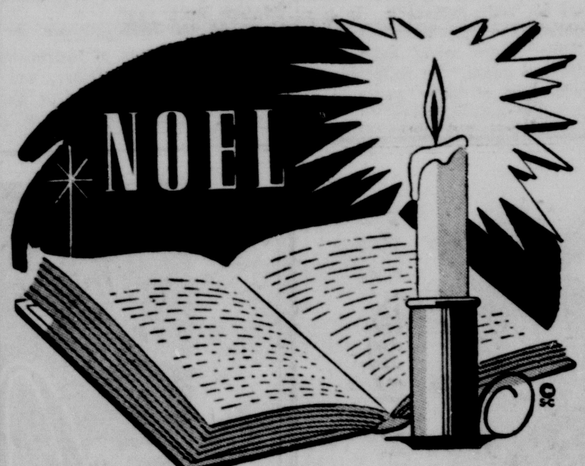

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Our entire staff wishes you all the blessings of this holy season and joy and happiness in the years to come . . .

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Greetings

Just a light hearted greeting to wish our friends and patrons a Merry Christmas and a Holiday Season that's cheery and bright.

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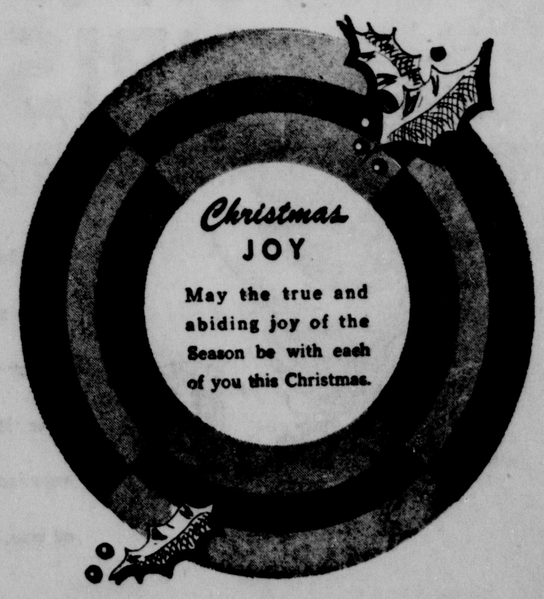

Christmas JOY

May the true and abiding joy of the Season be with each of you this Christmas.

YUNKER-LIERMAN DRUG CO.
412 South Ohio

The Substitute Santa

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eyes again. After all, who was this Tom Weston?

"And," continued Tom, "I'd like to borrow your brother for the evening, too, and maybe your dad, maybe your whole family. I have a job to do.

Well, it couldn't be too bad, thought Ann, if he wants the whole family, so she consented for them all.

The next afternoon when the store was ready to close, Ann went to the office for her check. The president of the company was there, too, handing out Christmas gift checks and wishing each of his employees a merry Christmas. That was when Tom walked in the door, his Santa Claus suit over his arm.

"Tom Weston," said the president of the company in a surprised voice. "What are you doing here?"

"I was in hopes I'd be able to find you somewhere around here, Ed," Tom said. "I was a little afraid the company wouldn't accept my personal check or my credit for all the things I want to buy tonight, among them this Santa Claus suit."

"Don't tell me you are the Tom Weston who has been substituting for Santa?" said the president.

"Yes, I am, and I'm taking his place tonight, too," replied the substitute Santa. "The old man is still sick, you know."

"What would your parents say to such an escapade?" queried Ed.

"They are abroad, you know," laughed Tom, "and anyway I am 25 and perfectly capable of going it on my own in case they wanted to disown me, which my father won't. My mother, however, might have been a little ashamed of me in such a venture. "You know, Ed I have never really known Christmas before."

Ann started to leave but Tom stepped in front of the door. "Don't forget," he said, "you have a job to do with me. We are going to have to look the store over and see what Santa would want me to deliver."

"And now," he said, looking back at the president of the company, "Ann and I have a lot to do tonight. She will keep tab of what I pick out and I'll send you a check."

"Half price tonight, you know Ann," said the president. "And you can pick out a few for me, too."

"How about borrowing a truck?" asked Tom.

"Go right ahead," came the reply. "It's your night, Tom. Do what you please."

"The first thing we will do," said Tom, glancing at the crowd of employees that had gathered and were taking in the whole show, "is go somewhere and have dinner, Ann, and then we'll get to work."

When they were outside he suggested she call her family and have them come down to dinner, too. As they waited, Ann and Tom went through the toys, picking according to the wishes of little boys and girls who had told Santa what they wanted him to bring.

For Jeanie, who had started Tom's whole career as the substitute Santa was a walking doll that didn't say, "I love you," and many more things that would be dear to the heart of a little girl. These Ann picked out. There were things for Jeanie's mother, too, and for Joe, which would be accompanied by a big check. Ann picked out things for Danny's little sister, but Tom was taking care of Danny. He didn't know how he would ever get all the things for Danny loaded up.

There was a knock on the front door and Ann rushed to open it. There was her entire family, even to the brother's girl. They all picked up things and started carrying them to the waiting trucks, because Tom decided one truck was not enough.

They had a hurried supper, or dinner as Tom called it, and went back to do more loading. This time Tom had a job of his own. He was getting back into his Santa Claus suit.

Their first visit was to Joe's house and Tom went in alone.

"I got your letter," he said to Jeanie, and shook his head as he saw the tears roll down Joe's cheeks. "Don't worry, boy," said Tom, as he gave Joe a friendly pat on the shoulder. "We'll take care of you. I've arranged for the best specialist to look you over right after the holidays."

The addresses were all over the city, but Tom and Ann took one truck, Ben, Ann's brother, and his girl, took another and Ann's parents and little sister took another, each going to distribute the gifts labeled for different addresses. There were three substitute Santas that night, for Ann's dad and brother had also put on the red garb with white whiskers.

"I don't see how Santa has always made it around to everybody's house in one night," said Tom to Ann.

"He always has a lot of wonderful helpers like you," replied Ann.

Finally Tom stopped at the last place on their route, the tenement house. Ann helped carry in the gifts while Tom knocked on the doors and went in with a cheery Santa greeting. Stragely, he did not want the gifts to Danny taken out. He merely knocked on the door and there was a delighted scream from Danny when he saw the bewhiskered old man. He glanced at Ann who stood beside Tom, then darted out in the hall. There was disappointment on his face. "Didn't he come, too?" he asked of Ann.

"He couldn't come tonight," explained Ann, "so he asked me to come with Santa for him. I'm sure he will come to see you later—maybe tomorrow."

The mother of the family had a look of bewilderment, mixed with happiness, for she knew that the red suit meant more than a casual call. The father stood looking at them curiously. There was still disbelief on the older brother's face, but the little sister was right behind Danny as excited as could be.

Santa walked in and over to the father. "That is a fine boy, you have, that little Danny. He shouldn't be growing up here, though, so I have bought a little home for you with a big yard."

"I couldn't accept it," said the man in a voice that reminded Tom of the older boy.

"Everybody accepts gifts from Santa," reminded Tom. "Let me take you there tonight, let me give you Christmas, and next week I will give you a job that you might pay me back some day, f you care to. You see, I am very interested in Danny and his future."

The father started to protest, then he looked down at Danny, at the little sister, into the eyes of his wife, and said, "All right."

So out to the little home with a yard they went. There was a Christmas tree in the window lighted and lights all about the house. When they stepped in there were many wrapped gifts around the tree and the little electric train Danny had wantd—an electric train that would run because there was electricity now. Tom and Ann still had their arms loaded with toys and things, after they were inside, Ann handed to Santa the walking doll for the little sister.

Seven very tired but happy people met again at the store close to midnight that Christmas Eve. They left the trucks and the family, all but Ann, got back in the family car and drove back home after stopping to let Ben's girl out at her house. There was no tarrying between the two that night, both were too worn out. Ben didn't even give her the bracelet he had bought for her. That would have to wait until Christmas Day.

Ann was silent as she sat in Tom's car and waited for him to start it.

"I have some gifts for you, too, honey," he said. "A mink stole, a—" but Ann stopped him.

"I couldn't accept such expensive gifts and I am quite certain now you might have them. It has all been wonderful knowing you, though," she said.

"All right," said Tom, "we'll just let the mink stole wait until I have the right to buy them for you." He pulled up the red jacket and squirmed his way down into the coat pocket of his suit. From it he pulled a small box and handed it to Ann. "You will accept this won't you, to wear on the ring finger of your left hand?"

She opened it. She had never seen a diamond sparkle so, nor one so large. "Tom!" she said, "You don't—you don't really mean it!"

"Only if you promise to give me the one gift I asked for," he said.

Ann laughed and snuggled closer to the red coat with the white fur. "I love you," she said.

"What am I doing with these things on?" said Tom, as he pulled off his white whiskers. "In a situation like this they would only tickle. There might have been a time, I guess," he reflected, "but what girl of today wants to kiss a fellow with whiskers?"

HERE'S FIRST MODEL OF EARTH SATELLITE—It's on display at the American Museum-Hayden Planetarium in New York City. Encased in a transparent plastic sphere, the works of the projected artificial moon are clearly visible. Standard subminiature electronic parts are used to show the kind of instruments that may be used in the actual satellites the United States plans to launch within two years. The model, 18 inches in diameter and weighing 25 pounds, was built by Associate Editor Herbert R. Pfister of Popular Science Monthly. He consulted scientists working on the program.

American Voter In For Good Political Dose

By Associated Press

The American vo ter is in for an almost continuous dose of politics in 1956 with two of the big questions posed at the outset:

1 — Will President Eisenhower seek a second term despite his September heart attack?

2 — What will Congress do with the politically potent farm problem?

Answers to these questions could have an important influence on the outcome of the November elections.

Should Eisenhower get a complete recovery sign from his doctors and decide to seek another term, it would solve a lot of GOP problems and raise hopes of a Republican victory. Should he bow out, a scramble for the nomination will be on.

Democrats claim publicly they can win against any Republican next fall. Privately, they concede Eisenhower still would be the hardest to beat.

When Eisenhower will announce his intentions is uncertain. Predictions range from 1 ate January to some time in March.

Democrats will nominate their ticket in Chicago the week of Aug. 13. Republicans choose their candidates a week later in San Francisco.

Congress, whch meets in January, has half a dozen important items left from the 1955 session. One is whether to continue the Republican-backed flexible price support farm program or return to the Democratic high rigid price props.

The administration has promised a new farm program built around flexible supports. Democrats, who carried the Midwest farm states in 1948 but lost them in 1952, will push their own measure. They are making the farm question their top issue.

The 1956 session of the 84th Congress will have two programs to work on, one by Eisenhower and a 13-point program prepared by Sen. Lyndon Johnson of Texas, majority floor leader. The latter includes a proposal for an income tax cut for low income groups.

. . . D. Harold Oliver.

ANGEL IN DISTRESS—Anything can crop up at a dress rehearsal, including an itchy foot. These youngsters in Atlanta, Ga., were rehearsing a Christmas carol for their school's Christmas pageant when little cherub Suzanne Welch, foreground, developed an itch. So what else could she do, but scratch it?

Poison Bombs

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP)—A U.S. Coast Guard plane bombed Santa Barbara island.

The bombs were forty 25-pound sacks of poisoned barley.

Their target was 50,000 rabbits.

Donald Robinson, department of interior, said: "We had to do it. The rabbits were eating the island's foliage faster than it can grow."

Licking Job

BALTIMORE (AP) — Maryland's most widely-tasted product is not the oyster or crab from Chesapeake Bay. It's a tapioca preparation turned out by a Baltimore glue factory. It goes on the backs of nearly 23 billion U.S. postage stamps each year.

The glue is concocted of a minute percentage of hydrochloric acid and tapioca flour, and is shipped in powder form to Washington. There, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing puts it on stamps.

Motto of the Baltimore concern: "Licked by all — yet — licked ny none."

Democrat Class Ads Get Results

Merry Christmas

May you enjoy peace and happiness during the coming New Year.

Schreiner's
Sinclair Service Station
West 50 Highway
Sedalia, Mo.

HE'S CAUGHT THE SPIRIT—Strictly noncommercial during the Christmas season is Charles Keating of Leavenworth, Kans. He makes Christmas Nativity scenes, like the one shown with him above, and gives them away as presents. He refuses to sell them Keating says his profit comes in the form of Christmas spirit. He has been making the scenes from wood and straw for 10 years

A Merry Christmas

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And All Employees

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

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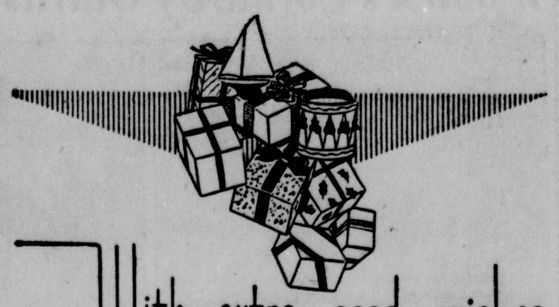

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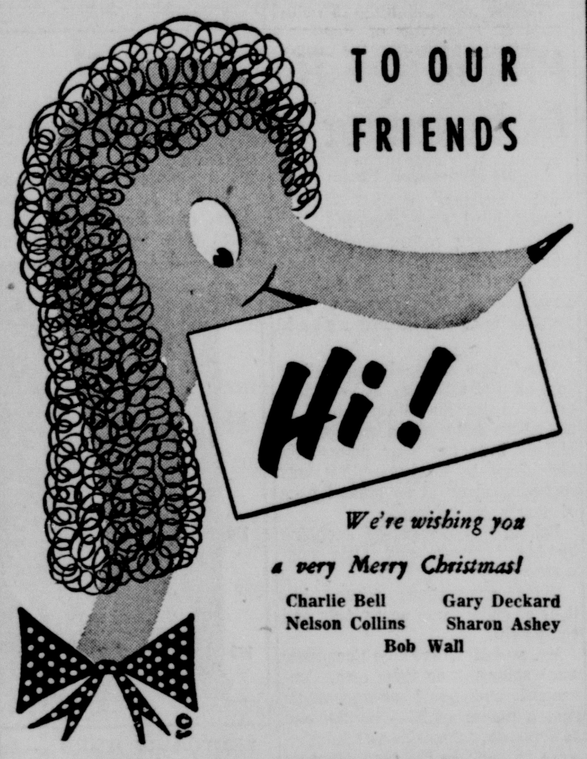

BELL'S SHOE STORE

209 South Ohio

Merry Christmas

May genuine happiness fill each moment of Christmas for you.

HALLER OFFICE EQUIPMENT CO.

122 East Second Phone 149

Christmas Cheer

All of us — staff and management — extend to you our wishes that every joy and blessing will be yours in the cheery holiday season — and, that its many pleasures will thrill your household.

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PENNEY'S

Third and Ohio Streets

Holiday Greetings

To all of you whom we have been privileged to serve—we extend our thanks for your patronage and our best wishes that your Christmas be filled with much happiness and joy!

LANDMANN ABSTRACT & TITLE CO.

112 W. 4th St. Sedalia, Mo.

Our Christmas stocking is filled with good wishes for our patrons . . . Hoping you have the Merriest Christmas ever — full of happiness and lasting pleasure.

REINHART - WELCH SALES COMPANY

William Reinhart • John Welch
and Employees

927 S. Limit Sedalia, Mo.

To our many friends . . . we want to express our sincere appreciation for your favors; it has been a privilege and pleasure to serve you . . .

Merry Christmas, everyone!

CECIL'S

700 and 704 South Ohio

How Do You See Him?

By John Rucker

Christmas is a time of gladness and joy which everyone can and does appreciate. We have only to enter into the spirit of the season to enjoy this gladness and joy. At Christmas, the spirit of love which prompted God to send his only and beloved son to earth recaptures us afresh with its significance. We wish to let some of this joy and gladness reflected from the glow of that divine love spill over. Thus we send cards, give gifts and perform acts of kindness.

Christmas time isn't entirely made up of gladness and joy and gaiety. It is also a time of serious thinking. Many years ago there lived a man in London who celebrated Christmas in this very way. This man had a tiny candy store that was located on one of the busiest streets in London. He was a very poor man, who could just barely make a living on what little candy and toy whistles he sold. He was a very simple man, and he trusted anyone, who wanted some of his candies, even if they had no money.

He was a very poor business man who wouldn't take advantage of his own opportunities. While all of the other stores drew the merry Christmas crowds and the attention with their displays in the windows of steam engines and Santas and dolls, he would show in his window a dimly-lit lithograph of a very unhappy man. It was a picture of a man with saddened eyes and a heavy crown of thorns on his head. This window scene clashed heavily with the gay and cheerful surroundings of all the other stores.

But, many weary shoppers would pause on their way home and look into the dimly-lit window at the picture. The picture seemed to ask the weary shoppers, "Whose birthday is it?" The picture answered the question.

When Christ came to earth some 19 centuries ago, he placed on the people of the world then and the people of the world now, an obligation, and we who sense the joy and gladness of Christmas also sense the seriousness of Christmas. Like the man who put the picture of the saddened Christ n the window of his candy store for the Christmas season, so, too, was he thinking of the seriousness of Chritmas. He realized that Christmas, being the birthday of Christ, was a time to realize that, although this should be a day of joy, it should also be a day of sadness. For this poor old lonely man knew that after a few short years of the life of Christ on earth, he would die at the hands of the people that had rejoiced in his coming to them as the "saviour of the world." Unless God becomes flesh and dwells inside us, so may we carry forth the message of love and peace that He brought to us on Christmas Day, then Christmas can only be a fairy tale without the power to inspire and redeem everyone of us. Too many people today think and celebrate Christmas only as a fairy tale, and in no other way do they celebrate it.

At Christmas time we find that there are two types of people. The first type are those who lo › pageantry. These people like elaborate gifts, such as the Wise Men and the shepherds gave to the new Christ child, great and beautiful worship services at their or someone else's church, and the splendorous universe. The other type of people like sweet and soft beautiful Christmas carols, family worship of the Christ child on this day, and the silent giving of simple gifts. The way in which we celeblate Christmas greatly depends upon our idea of Jesus.

When the Wise Men saw the star in the heavens and journeyed long and far to see the "King of Kings" they bowed down before him and laid at his feet such elaborate gifts as gold, frankincense and myrrh. But the shepherds saw Christ as "the saviour of the world," and as they went upon their way, they told everyone they met of the Christ child and how he had come to the world to bring "peace and good will among all men." How do you see Christ on this Christmas Day? Do you see him as the "King of Kings" or as the "Saviour of the world?"

Women's Corduroy Outfits Will Travel Anywhere

Corduroy takes its place in the sun. These pictures, taken on St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands, show a capsule travel wardrobe for a winter vacation. The Oriental touch appears (left) in slim corduroy pants topped by easy cotton overblouse printed in gold. For dancing under the stars, there is pale corduroy (center) cut into separates traced with cotton lace. Fabric is the lightest pinwale. Coat (yes, you need a coat in the tropics) is in an interesting treebark pattern (right), cut trench coat style. We show it here in a lovely pale sand color.—By GAILE DUGAS, NEA Women's Editor.

Production Records Fall In Booming 1955 Business

By Associated Press

U.S. business in 1955 hit the highest level ever recorded.

There were record numbers of shiny new cars on the road, huge production in steel, coal and oil, an unprecedented volume of new construction,, and record retail sales.

The "gross national produce" or sum total of all goods and services produced hit an all-time high of 387 billion dollars — a gain of 26½ billions over the year before. As 1955 drew to a close, GNP was rocketing along at an annual pace of nearly 400 billions.

Behind this lay record spending by big business and little consumers.

Giant corporations poured billions of dollars into new plants and equipment.

Mr. and Mrs. Average Consumer were splurging on their own. Convenient on-the-cuff arrangements cast a magic spell — by the end of September American consumers were in hock to the tune of more that 34¼ billions for automobiles, appliances, furniture and other goods and services bought on time.

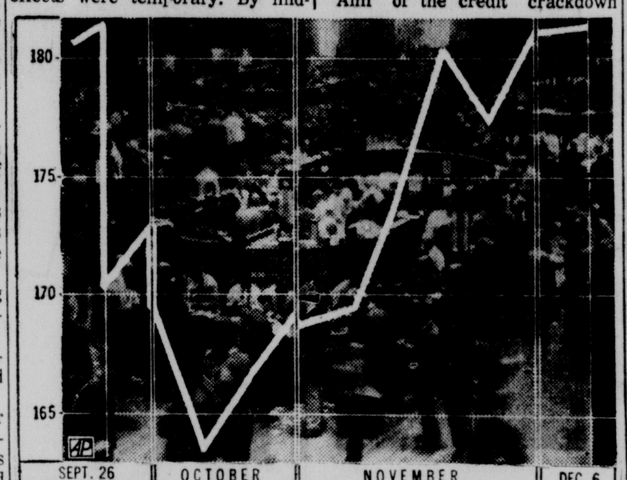
Consumer spending at the start of the booming fourth quarter was racing along at a record annual clip of 256 billion dollars. Personal disposable income, although up a hefty 9 per cent from the year before, could not keep pace with the steep rise in consumer buying.

Biggest jolt to business sentiment was President Eisenhower's heart attack. It produced immediate repercussions in Wall Street (The Associated Press stock average skidded $11.40 on Sept. 26—the biggest drop since 1929). But the effects were temporary. By mid-ing 1955 that the federal government tried to slow it. Four times, the Federal Reserve System hiked the interest rate it charges on loans to member banks; the rate in November was the highest in more than 20 years. Terms were tightened on government-guaranteed mortgage loans.

Aim of the credit crackdown was to prevent a runaway accumulation of business which might result in shortages of industrial materials, higher prices all along the line and another round of inflation.

But government said, that the minute business showed any signs of slowing down, credit would be eased again.

. . . Walter Breede Jr.



TEMPORARY SCARE —Against the background of the New York stock market, the chart shows how stocks tumbled and then recovered between Sept. 26 and mid-December.

October business trends were on the upbeat again, with the year heading for a whirlwind finish.

So vigorous was the boom dur-

band was too silent. He spoke to her only once a year for eight years — to get information for his income tax return. But a Dumont, N. J. woman won a divorce because her husband talked too much. Specifically, he said she looked like a "left-over mask from Halloween."

. . . Joy Miller.

Frustrated Cowboys

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Two cowboy fans rustled some mounts and headed west but they had horse trouble and had made only a few miles when the police posse caught them on the outskirts of town.

The pair stole two horses from a ranch, one a lively black mare and the other a steady old sorrel. The mare bucked off the young wranglers so persistently that when the police caught them they both were riding the sorrel and using the black as a pack horse.

In their two packs were eight sticks of dynamite with fuse attachments, 125 rounds of pistol and rifle ammunition, one rusty rifle and two hunting knives.

Alarm Without Word

GRAND HAVEN, Mich. (AP)—A 2-year-old who hadn't learned to say "fire" woke his father in time for him to rescue members of the family from their burning home.

Douglas Boyer kept screaming "hotty" until he woke his father, Walter 26. An overheated furnace had set the house afire.

Trick and Treat

DAVY, W.Va. (AP) — It was near Halloween. Drug store manager Opal Neely told police she was "amused" when a man in a long, gray coat — wearing a paper bag over his head — entered the store at closing time and began clowning.

She wasn't laughing, however, when the man pointed a gun at her and the other clerks, ordered the safe opened, and fled with $1,300 in cash and checks.

Modern Castle

NAGOYA, Japan (AP) — City officials are going to reconstruct a famous, 350-year-old castle destroyed by an air raid in World War II. It will be an exact reproduction except for two things—two elevators to hoist tourists to the top of its five-story tower.

We Should All Look Back On Memorable Events of 1955

This is the time of year to look back nostalgically on memorable events of 1955. Such as:

Major judicial decision — A blonde was ruled a liability. The plaintiff listed a blonde as the cause of divorce and therefore among common property to be divided. But, said the Muskegon, Mich., judge: ". . . such an item is not an asset but is rather a tremendous liability."

Major judicial indecision — A loser in a bathing beauty contest at Whitmore Lake, Mich., claimed that 12 of the 20 girls wore falsies. Said a judge: "I didn't . . . I suppose I should . . . they . . . great guns!" In a moment he added: "This should be avoided next year." Then a fellow judge asked quietly: "How?"

Gallic fury — A husband in Mulhouse, France, wanted to sue the gunsmith who had sold hima gun that hadn't worked when he tried to shoot his wife. Police took an unsympathetic view, charged him with attempted murder.

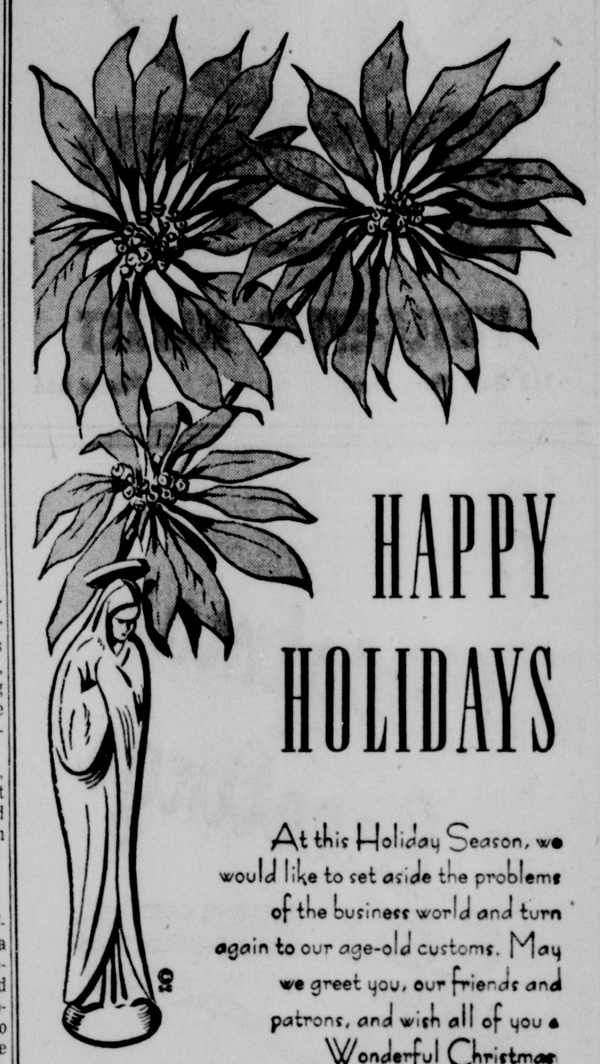
Enthusiasm unlimited — Three Montgomery, Ala., convicts were discovered printing $5 bills in the Draper Prison printing shop.

Do-it-yourself — A Vancouver B.C. man bought the parts and installed a new differential in hs English car. Then he found he had four speeds in reverse and one forward.

Medical origins — Tonsillitis Jackson had tonsilltis while being examined for Naval re-enlistment at San Diego. The coincidence brought on explanations: Tonsillitis' mother was having tonsillitis when he was born so the name naturally occurred to her. It got to be a family tradition, these quaint, wholesome old names. Now Tonsillitis has a brother named Meningitis, four sisters named Appendicitis, Laryngitis, Peritonitis and Jakeitis.

A man-can't-win entry — A

South Bend, Ind., woman won a divorce after testifying her hus-



HAPPY HOLIDAYS

At this Holiday Season, we would like to set aside the problems of the business world and turn again to our age-old customs. May we greet you, our friends and patrons, and wish all of you a Wonderful Christmas

CUMA & DOROTHY'S
BEAUTY SALON
216 West Third St. Phone 3636

WARM WISHES for the Holiday Season
DOBEL'S
Service Station
Fifth and Osage
Phone 313

Merry CHRISTMAS

We say Thanks to our Many Loyal Customers And Add our Best Wishes that Your Holiday Be Warm and Glowing

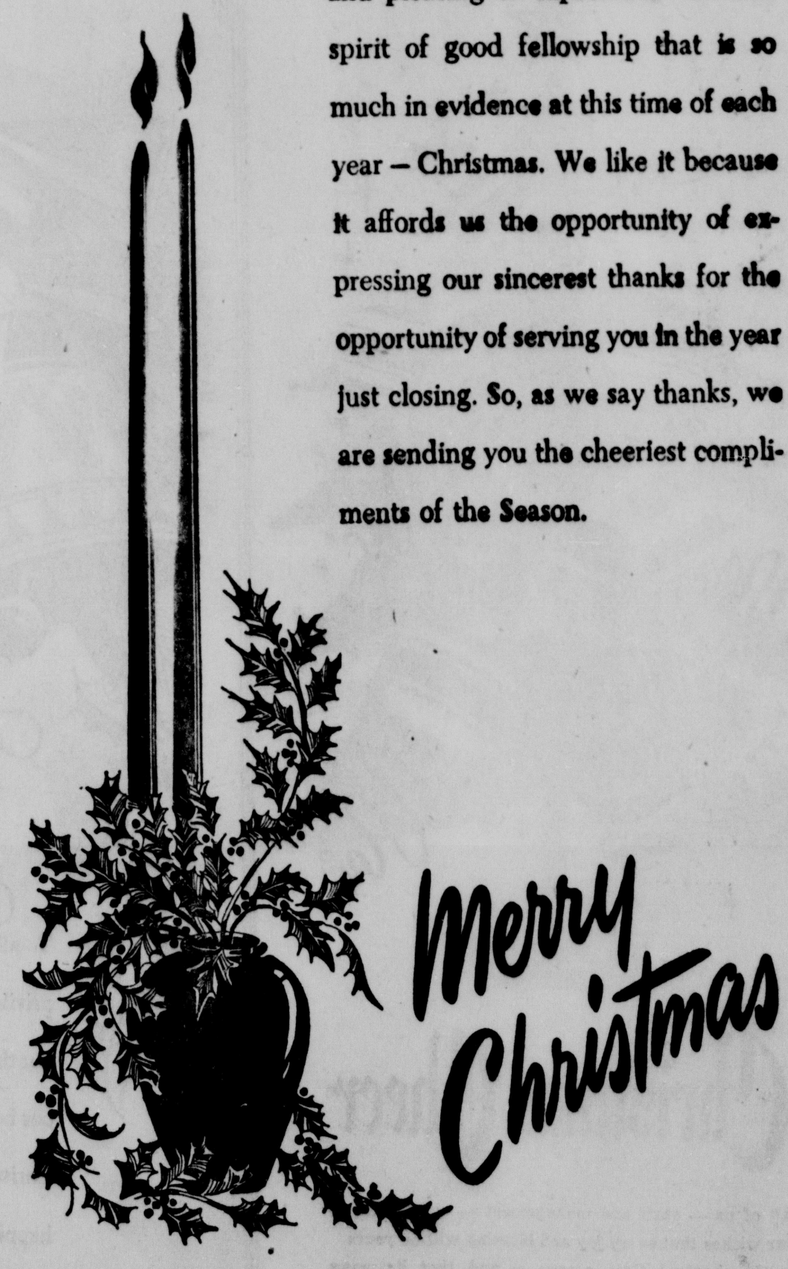
GOODYEAR SERVICE STORE
GOODYEAR TIRES
Sixth and Ohio Phone 221

Seasons Greetings

In the spirit of friendliness, and good cheer, we thank you for your many favors and sincerely wish you a Merry, Merry Christmas! . . .

Sage's
206 South Ohio
"Where Customers Send Their Friends"

IT is particularly encouraging and pleasing to experience the true spirit of good fellowship that is so much in evidence at this time of each year — Christmas. We like it because it affords us the opportunity of expressing our sincerest thanks for the opportunity of serving you in the year just closing. So, as we say thanks, we are sending you the cheeriest compliments of the Season.



Merry Christmas

REA CENTRAL MISSOURI ELECTRIC CO-OPERATIVE, INC.
SEDALIA, MO.
Serving Saline, Pettis and Benton Counties

OUR First WISH
FOR YOU
A Happy Holiday Season

MRS. W. J. MOORE
Gia-Da-Mo Maternity Shop
116 West Third Street
Alterations — Tailoring

Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas

ROBERT Q. HENDERSON
TAX SERVICE — REAL ESTATE
112 West Third St. Phone 70

Many are the wishes
we're sending you
for a very happy holiday

TISH BEAUTY SALON
Tish Taylor and Employees
509 South Ohio

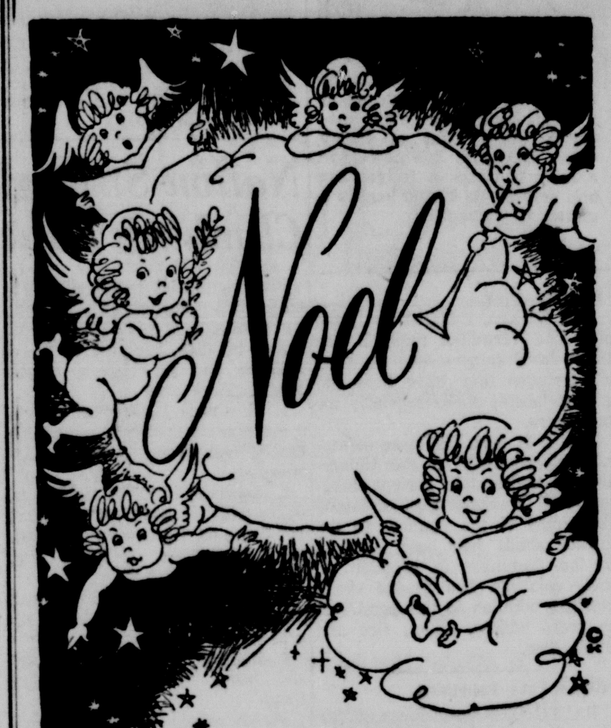
To wish you the
Best of Everything throughout the
HAPPY
Holiday

THOMAS PASTRY SHOP
112 West 5th Phone 307
Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas and Employees

SEASON'S GREETINGS

To our many friends: we wish you the Happiest Holiday & the Merriest Christmas, ever —thanks for your patronage!

PRIDDY'S
Floyd Priddy and Employees
205 South Ohio Phone 386



As this year comes to a close, we want to express our thanks for your loyal patronage and our wish that your Christmas will be the most joyous you have ever known . . .

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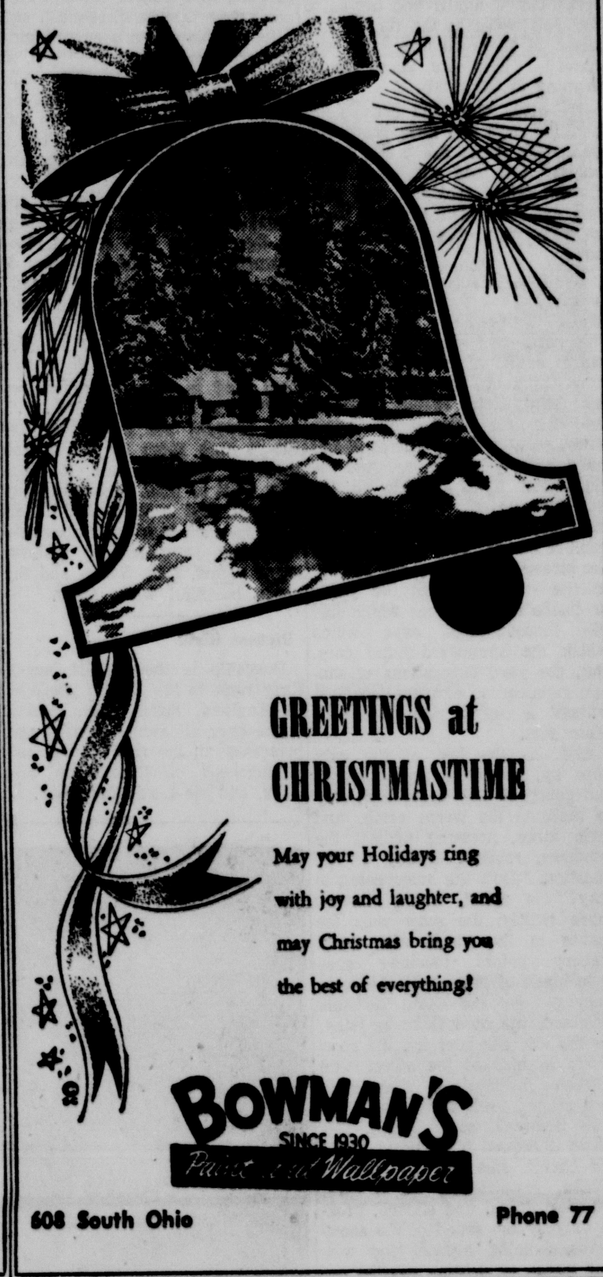
HURTT PHARMACY
504 W. 16th St. Phone 872

GREETINGS

May the warmth and friendship of the Christmas Spirit be with you at this wonderful Holiday Season!

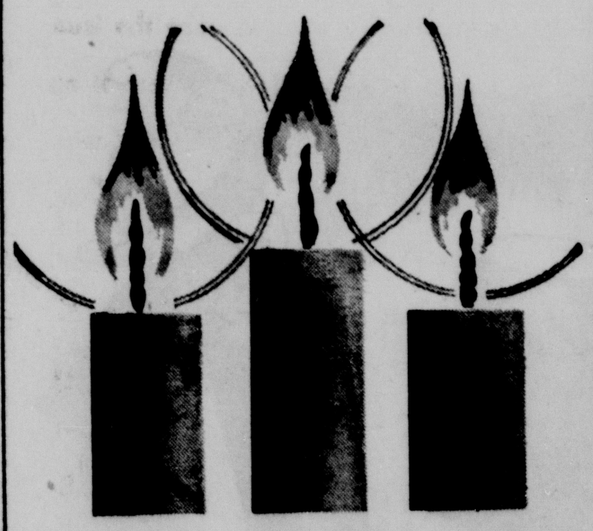
SHAW MUSIC COMPANY
Mr. and Mrs. Orville Shaw and Employees
702 South Ohio Phone 684



GREETINGS at CHRISTMASTIME

May your Holidays ring with joy and laughter, and may Christmas bring you the best of everything!

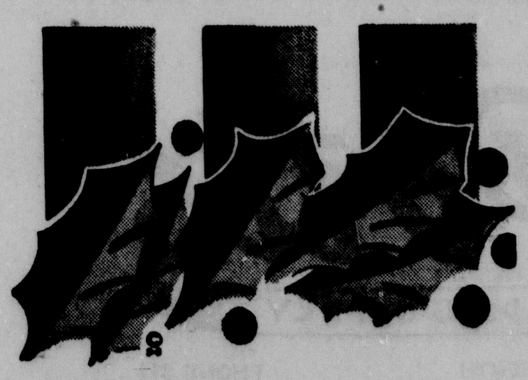
BOWMAN'S
SINCE 1930
Paint and Wallpaper
608 South Ohio Phone 77



Season's Greetings

From all of us here to all of you — we send warm and friendly wishes that this Joyous Christmas Season may set the scene for many happy days to come!

SIEVERS ROOFING COMPANY
215 East Main St. Phone 1630



To our many customers and friends — May this Christmas be bright and gay And filled with many, many blessings!

ADAMS - RILEY
Your Natural and Bottled Gas Appliance Dealer
310 West Second St.

This old-fashioned Christmas Greeting, we extend to convey, the many joys we hope you find on this bright Christmas Day!

T. B. "BLUE" YOUNG
SHEET METAL WORKS
110 East Main

Our very best wishes go out to you at this holiday season — along with our sincere thanks for your patronage in the past!

ADCO, Inc.
SEDALIA, MO.

Snow

By Joella Brereton

The dawn, fresh from its bandbox of star studded black velvet night, turns from rosiness into sparkling blue. But still the sparkling sky and crisp air are dulled this December day, for the ground lays like a rabbit whose coat has not yet turned white. There has been no snow, although the morrow is Christmas.

All of the little boys and girls, and even the adults, heave little sighs, then bigger sighs as the day continues to sparkle and crinkle. But, as most give up hope of a white Christmas, the sky begins to grey, and the wind leaps out of hiding and begins to tug and tweak at the fingers and noses of those outside. But who cares? Those are snow clouds forming in the north.

By 3:30, when the schools let out, the boys and girls laugh and yell, "It's gonna snow. It's gonna snow!" But they still cross their fingers while laughing and yelling, and their shrill laughter intermingles with the shrill wind's song.

By five, when the stores and shops close for the holiday, the black clouds have moved from the north and press toward the warm earth. After closing, everyone yanks up his collar, thrusts his hands into tweedy pockets, and hurriedly starts for home. The lights, in cars, and in homes have already winked on. And the Christmas lights twinkle in the day whence the last glitter of light has been snuffed out by the somber clouds. They twinkle along the streets where they are strung, in the stores, and in the yards or inside of the homes which line the thoroughfares over which whisk the homeward-bound cars. But, the yard decorations of santas, reindeer or carolers look lost without a rug of white lying at their feet.

And, as the last of the cars hum by, the snow begins slowly and gently to drift downward, only to melt on the warm earth. And little faces, pressing against the windows, register dismay as the question, "Isn't the snow going to stay?" is asked. Then, silently, more swiftly, the snow veils the leaves in the yards with white tracery before touching each little blade of grass with its white fingers. Soon the damp sidewalk welcomes the snow flake by flake. As the last car goes by, the snow starts to blanket the street with glittering whiteness. The wind now rouses itself and thrusts the snow before it at its whim, and swirls it around lamp posts, trees and church steeples.

Then, as suddenly as it rose, the wind drops, and silence, broken only by the sound of the snowflakes dancing against the window panes or drifting against the trees, is outside, wrapping the cold, white world into a spun candy dream.

And now the ones with faces pressing against the windows have stars in their eyes, and they jump up and down, and pull every one to the window to show them the snow. "Mommy, Daddy, lookee at the snow! Oh, Mommy, can I go out to play in the snow, can I?" And Mommy and Daddy don't correct them on the use of can and may as usual, but say, "Yes, but just for a few minutes, and you have to put on your boots and mittens and button up." And out they go, to hoot and romp with every other kid in the block. And even the teenagers and adults get the urge to go out and play in the snow.

Then, as each mother calls, "Jimmee," or "Sallee, supper!" the silence again falls. Inside, the smell of the decorated Christmas tree wafts into each room, and lightly underlying is the scent of oyster stew being served. But the tree is the center of attraction. It is decorated with glowing bulbs, balls of all shapes and colors and ropes of tinsel. And see that angel on top? Well, it's been in the family ever since Junior was one year old, and now he's five, ten or twenty. And the artistically wrapped gifts lie underneath the tree and spill out into the room. Even a few little gifts swing or nestle among the very branches of the trees.

Over on the mantel, flanked with swaths of evergreen, is, perhaps, a nativity scene or a centerpiece of candles and balls which reflect in the mirror. And, below, attached to the mantelpiece, is already one stocking, and more are expected.

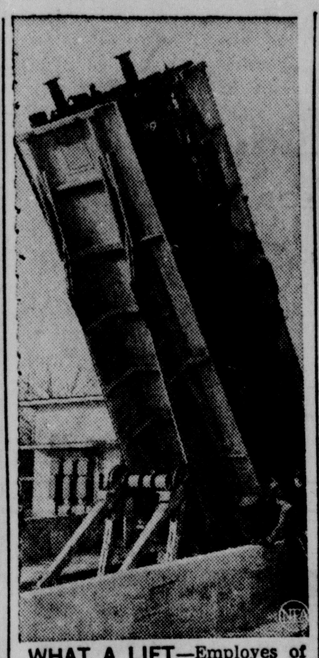
Now the families sit down to dinner, with a prayer being said aloud or silently. Then gradually the youngsters begin to ask the permission of their parents to open at least one, little bitty present. "No." But still they continue to ask them to pester. And the parents, who foolishly believe they can refuse this small request, say, "No, sir. No presents opened until tomorrow morning." And then, as a safety precaution, they add, "And not until after six, not before." But who can refuse big pleading eyes? A concession is made, "Well, one little one, and we'll pick it."

Still the snow falls, while the youngsters open one present, then as they beg to stay up one more splendid hour, then another. It falls while the carolers sing traditional Christmas songs and come into the house to warm up. It falls as finally each one is tucked in bed, and first the Bible Christmas story is read, to be followed by " 'Twas the night before . . .", and prayers are said. Whispers flit in each room as sisters and brothers dreamily talk of what they want or what they think they will get. But soon they drift off to sleep, each to his own dreams—the babe in swaddling clothes, sugar plums, gifts, Santa, and the snow, beautiful white snow.

Highest Rank

Dukeship is the highest hereditary rank in the British peerage. In England, dukes take precedence over all except princes and princesses of the royal blood, and Archbishops of Canterbury and York, and the Lord Chancellor.

FROM WATER TO SOUP—Turtle soup is what these oversized critters will wind up in. Heinz Sidel, left, and Ernst Scheld look over some of the 78 giant ocean turtles in cold storage at Frankfurt, Germany. The turtles, each weighing about 150 pounds, were shipped from the West Indies.



WHAT A LIFT—Employes of a West Berlin, Germany, gasworks make light of heavy work, thanks to this new-style crane. It raises a freight car and empties its 40-ton load in a matter of seconds.

KEYBOARD ART—Pictures, not letters, roll from the typewriter of Dona Alberich of Barcelona, Spain. She's shown here at Maidenhead, England, making a copy of Gainsborough's "Duchess of Devonshire." She uses a typewriter with a long carriage and a multicolored ribbon.

Eisenhower Heart Attack Stirs Up Political Action

By Associated Press

The politically active year 1955 sprouted a plentiful supply of potential presidential candidates and issues and promises a dramatic fight for the 1956 farm vote.

President Eisenhower's heart attack in September marked a political turning point of the pre-election year. Overnight it cast deep gloom over Republican hopes for 1956 and helped produce a raft of possible White House aspirants in both parties.

At the year's end, however, talk began to increase that Eisenhower might run again after all. Adlai E. Stevenson, his Democratic opponent in 1952, was off to a running start as the only avowed candidate for the Democratic nomination, but more were expected in the ring.

Issues kept pace with candidate booms in a year that brought almost a continuous round of partisan debate from the January opening of a Democratically-controlled Congress to Democrats in local elections.

Republicans carried high their "peace, progress and prosperity" banner. Democrats put falling farm income and what they called "big business" government high on their list of 1956 talking points. The Democrats also tossed back "misconduct in government" charges to Republicans who raised that issue against them in 1952, and claimed credit for repudiation by the GOP administration of the Dixon-Yates private power contract which Eisenhower ordered negotiated by the Atomic Energy Commission. Foreign policy loomed as a possible 1956 talking point, but there were efforts in both parties to soft-pedal it.

The farm debate developed demands for the resignation of Secretary of Agriculture Benson. The President stood by his Cabinet member and Benson himself argued "the worst part of our adjustment is behind us." Basically, the Republicans stood by flexible price supports, while Democrats urged a return to high rigid price drops.

Other political highlights of the year:

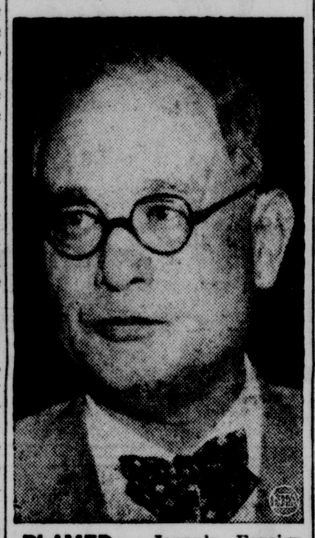
Congress — Eisenhower said Congress' record on foreign affairs was commendable, but criticized its showing on domestic legislation. Democratic leaders replied the record was fruitful and would have been better if GOP members had cooperated with the President more.

Conventions — Republicans decided to hold their 1956 convention in San Francisco Aug. 20; the Democrats in Chicago Aug. 13. Both parties fixed later than usual dates with the idea of waging shorter campaigns.

Labor—Agreement of the AFL and CIO to merge increased the power of organized labor as a political force, most observers agreed, but labor leaders denied a labor party was in the making.

Off year elections — Democrats interpreted their gains in November's local elections as continuing a three-year trend their way. GOP chiefs discounted the results as having "no national significance."

. . . D. Harold Oliver



BLAMED — Japan's Foreign Minister Mamoru Shigemitsu faces a no-confidence vote for his failure to gain Japan's admission to the United Nations. The powerful Socialist party is demanding his resignation, blaming Japan's rejection on Shigemitsu's "mistaken knowledge of and policy regarding Nationalist China's attitude and his failure to restore relations with the Soviet Union."

Lobster Pink

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP) — If the pink and vermilion tints on San Diego zoo flamingos seem striking, it's because they have been fed ground lobster shells regularly for two years.

Dennis L. Fox, professor of marine biochemistry at the University of California's Scripps Institution of Oceanography, explained that some of the pigment of the lobster shells had been retained in the flamingos to brighten up their coloring. The ground shells were in addition to the usual diet of grass pellets, millet, rice and dried flies.

Ghost Vote Tabulated

BALTIMORE (AP)—Editors of The News-Letter, Johns Hopkins University weekly, got their point across.

They contended freshmen didn't know enough about the candidates to elect a class president only five weeks after entering the university. Then they backed up their argument by adding Bob Clarke to the list of candidates.

Bob Clarke, who exists only in the imagination of the editors, drew 8 per cent of the vote.

Prompt Action

FORT WILLIAM, Ont. (AP)—When a fire alarm is rung from McKellar hospital all Fort William's fire equipment goes into action. This time they found the alarm had been sounded from a box in the reception lobby by a frightened six-year-old boy, tired of waiting for his parents.

Nation Struggles to Meet Climbing Education Needs

Five significant events dominated the 1955 educational picture with its somewhat eased shortages of school buildngs and qiualfied teachers and its climbing enrollments. They are:

1. President Eisenhower's Feb. 8 message to Congress calling for limited federal aid for school construction.

2. Supreme Court's order to states with segregated schools that get going on segregation program. Some states are seeking a way around the court's order.

3. The White House Conference on Education which approved federal school building aid.

4. Rudolph Flesch's controversial book, "Why Johnny Can't Read."

Flesch upheld the phonics method of teaching reading. When the storm ded down it appeared that most schools do use phonics but use other tested approaches with them.

5. Disbanding of the Progressive Education Assn. In a "funeral address," its president said: "It passes on with its work done, its influence great."

The U.S. office of Education reported school enrollment of 30,574,162 up 3.5 per cent over 1954; 1,138,922 teachers, up 6.9 per cent; 66,258 more school rooms, up 10.4 per cent.

But other reports indicated the increased facilities are not enough. The Fund for the Advancement of Education said future teacher supply could not keep up with enrollments and asked the nation to fnd new ways to maike better use of teachers.

A white House Conference Committee estimated the nation will be short 374,250 class rooms by 1960 at the present rate of constructon.

The Office of Education estimated 1955 college enrollment at 2,716,000, up 8.6 per cent over 1954. The federal college housing loan fund was boosted 200 million dollars to 500 million with lowered interest rates. Private corporations and foundation funds gave more attention to colleges, but many institutions still did not know how they would deal with the future flood of stcdents.

One of the important private gifts was the Ford Foundation's 500 million dollars divided between schools and hospitals.

. . . Herman R. Allen

BEST WISHES for this Christmas Season
Bob Williams
K.C. AUTO SALVAGE
420 West Second Phone 98

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Howard Construction Co.
Sedalia, Missouri

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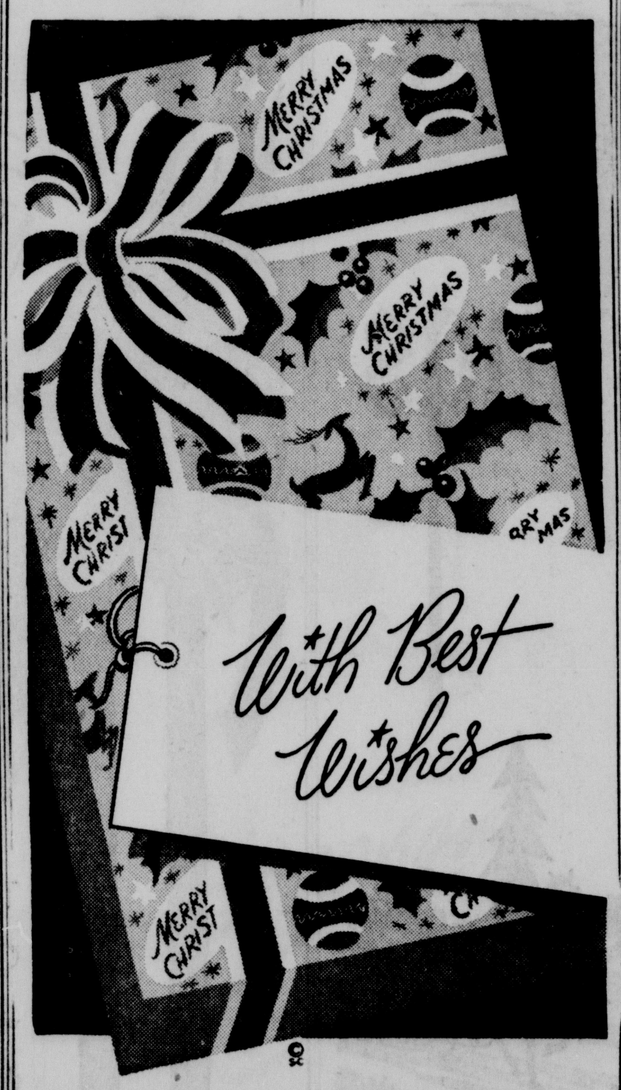

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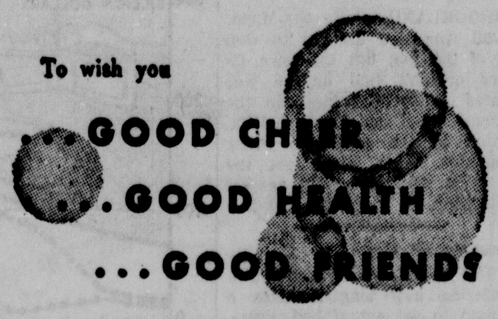

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Season's Greetings

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We hope your Christmas is a merry one —
Chock-full of cheer and lots of fun!

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It Were a Wonder

By Joella Brereton

Me and Pa had lived round these here parts since I recollect, and it weren't til last year, round the last of October, did we ever have a foreigner come into our neck of the woods. These here foreigners come up from Boston, and they were nice people in their own way, if you know what I mean. But they jest didn't make an impression on me and Pa, for we 'uns didn't know a thing 'bout Boston, so as to make a fuss o'er it. But to some round our place, like Ruff Yankins, he's the general store man, well, they treated 'em like kings or something. And, well, my Pa's folk back aways, they left England so as not to kowtow to kings and sech.

Now, when those people came, their names were Rogers, they rented the old Hopkins place o'er the ridge from ours, and sed the old man had a sick heart. And he, Harry was his name, never did a spick of work, and me and Pa felt it a crime.

Well, me and Pa had been hunting on the Hopkins place 'fore they come, but dern if they didn't stick "No Trespassing" signs on all the fences. Not thet it stopped me or Pa from crossin' into the land we hunted, but jest thet little piece of cityfiedness set sour on us, and we jest ignored them.

One day a little before Christmas, I went over to run some deer, and whatever showed up. Now I know that they was outa season, but Pa always sed, "Run 'em ifen they're round, and take what you ketch." I did. As I were saying, I had jest clumb over the fence, walked a spell, and were looking fer tracks when I heared this funny kind of noise like I'd never heared before. I looked around, and seein' nothing, I decided that I was listening too hard. I walked on a piece, and dern if that sound weren't louder. I kinda nosed around, and after a little, I knowed thet the noise was coming from behind some bushes where I remembered a gully to be.

Pushing the brush aside, scratching my hands with the brambles, I peered o'er the edge of the gully, and, there I saw the prettiest filly — I mean girl — I'd ever seen. She was wearing a bright red jacket and some kinda tight slacks which were black, but her left leg were sorta doubled up under her, and she looked mighty pale. Her eyes were shut, but when I popped over the side, they opened wide, kinda startled like, and she raised her hand to her mouth, I thought she would scream, but she didn't. Instead, she sorta breathed out, "Oh, I am so happy someone has found me. I didn't know if I would ever leave here." I felt kinda queer inside, and I had to swallow right hard once or twice 'fore I could talk. Then all I could say was, "I'll take care of you." Those big eyes, they were as blue as a summer sky, they jest looked up at me.

Well, I knelt down, and gently as I could, I got the leg to lie out straight 'fore her. I felt it to see if anything were b r o k e n, which it weren't, but it shore was sprung.

"What's your name, Missy?" I asked, and then went on, "I'd better be taken you home 'fore the snow flies, fer your leg is gonna hurt even more right soon."

She sorta sucked in some air, and then whispered, real soft, "I'm . . . my name is Elizabeth, Elizabeth Rogers. My parents live on this farm, and I was looking for holly and bittersweet. But, you had better get someone to help you, for you can't possibly carry me to the house."

Now that kinda riled me, fer I kin carry a hundred pound sack like nobody's business, and she looked as light as a feather. "I kin carry you home. I don't need no help."

I picked her up, and her soft hair brushed for a second agin my cheek. She put her arms around my neck, like I told her, and the warmth even made my cheeks burn. I tried to carry her gentle like so as not to hurt her more than I hadda, but when we crossed the last creek 'fore the house was reached, she kinda sighed and I felt her arms slippin' from round my neck. Before I got to the house, a few flakes of snow brushed agin my cheek, reminding me of her hair. As I went up the porch, Lizzie moaned and I got kinda 'fraid, fer what if they thought I'd hurt her? It shore looked queer, me being on the property and all. I hadda kick at the door and a puny guy, lot younger than me, came to the door and did his eyes bug! He turned, and sorta ran toward the kitchen, and I heard him say "Mother, come here, Elizabeth has been hurt-"

By now Lizzie weren't quite as light as a feather, and I wished I could lay her down. Then a nice, big lady hurried into the room and told the kid, Michael, to go fetch the doc. After asking how Lizzie was, she asked me to take Lizzie into her room down the hall.

The lady, Lizzie's mother, then asked me to wait in the living room fer her, fer she wanted to talk to me. I kinda felt all funny again, but not the same way I did when Lizzie talked to me.

I walked back to the living room, and pulled open some funny little doors I couldn't 'member being there when Hopkins were alive, and I just stood there and looked into that room. For over in the corner were the prettiest thing I ever did see, and I jest gawked at it! For it were a big tree all prettified with shining balls and ropes of bright stuff, and silvery things which looked like icicles! And there were colored lights a-twinklin' on the branches. I'd jest never seen sech a beautiful thing in my life.

Finally I walked over to it real slow like, 'fraid it would disappear, and slower yet I reached out and touched one of those shiny things. And it felt as smooth as the stock on my gun. I eased around it, looking at everything on it, and sniffing right deep of the beautiful, clean smell. And way on the very top was a star, bright and glittery as those in the very sky.

All of the sudden I felt rather hollow near my heart, for I realized that me and Pa had never, ever observed Christmas, although I had gone to church once at New Year's with Aunt Sue, who died the next year. But, it felt so warm and good in here, and the house even looked different. Was it because of the tree and the gifts strewn beneath the branches? Or was it something else, something I couldn't feel or understand? And the lady, she were nicer than I thought she'd be, and I hoped Lizzie would be like her.

Glancing at the mantel I noticed a paper shed, and under thet shed were some tiny figures. There were a man, tallish and with a beard, with funny looking clothes, and he were kneeling. Next to him were a pretty little lady, looking into a manger with an expression I'd never seen before, and she was kneeling, too. And round them were tiny sheep and cows and a funny animal with a hump on its back. And, dern if they weren't all kneeling too! And over on the mantel a piece, were three men, all decked out in finery, and those funny clothes, and they carried boxes. I saw another shiny star on top of thet shed. Then I looked to the manger and there were a real tiny youngun lying there, happy looking, and there were a little circle of light surrounding his head. I jest stood and looked, and looked some more, and soon I felt tears coming to my eyes. I hadn't cried since I were six when the dog bit my leg, but now I cried, kinda quiet, more inside than out. I couldn't understand it, fer I were too old to cry. But I stood there, tears running down my cheeks, looking at that little old babe there in thet shed.

I started as a hand touched my shoulder and then relaxed when the lady said, "It effects me that way, too. Shall we talk about it?"

Well, I turned and buried my face on her shoulder, not the least ashamed. We sit down on the sofa after she got a book off the desk, and she didn't say a thing about me crying. Instead, she opened that book and began to read, "and in that same country there were in the fields shepherds abiding over their flocks by night . . ." As she read, I could feel a warmth coming from inside of me washing over me, and I knew why the house were so warm.

"It helps doesn't it?" I nodded my head. "I'm glad you came, for you not only saved my daughter from much pain, and us from much anguish and anxiety, but you also have given Christ a chance to have His story told to you. You hadn't heard about Christ like this before, have you?"

I told her me and Pa never went to church and thet I'd never gone to school 'cause Pa said I didn't need booklearning to live off the land. She was right indignant, I could tell, but all she sed was thet maybe it could be arranged for me to go to school. Then she said she would like to thank me for helping Lizzie, but thet she didn't even know my name. Well, I told her and told her, too, thet she made me miss the mother I'd never had. She asked me all about me and Pa, and I told her thet, too.

Well, it all ended up with her and her family having me and Pa over fer Christmas dinner after we, all except Pa, had went to church. Then and there in church, I knew I wanted to learn more about thet babe they called Christ and Jesus, and told the lady that I felt thet way.

After a huge dinner with turkey and dressin' and cranberries, and pie, and ever so much, we all went into the living room where thet big tree were. And, to Pa's and my surprise, there were some things under thae tree fer us. And we never enjoyed ourselves so much, and Pa even seemed a little softer than usual. We sang some right pretty songs about the babe, and how everyone enjoys this time of the year. The evergreen smelt so good, and the room were so warm, and I wanted it to last a lifetime. And it has in a way, fer Pa is letting me start to school in February, and the lady, I call her Mom now, well, she's gonna help me with my schooling, and I'm staying with them. And, after I get enough schooling, Pa sed it were alright fer me to study to be a minister, fer I want to help others who, like me, don't know about Christ. And, they all don't have a chance to learn of Him at Christmas time like I did.

And, Lizzie, we've already know we're in love, and we gettin' married soon as I get out of the minister school.

OVERCOMES HANDICAP—One-armed Max Dobis of St. Paul, Minn., manipulates the delicate parts of a watch he's repairing at an exposition in Chicago, Ill. Dobis, 38, was one of the handicapped employes who demonstrated their skills at the exposition. He lost his arm during World War II, learned the watch repair skill after the war, and now works as a watchmaker in a St. Paul department store.

Oldest Exams

The oldest known system of civil service examinations, which began in China in B.C. 1115, were used for the selection of officers for public service.

Edible Anytime

Oysters are edible at any time they are gathered, but the idea that they should be eaten only in "R" months probably goes back to medieval times.

First U.S. Dog Breed

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) —Mrs. W. B. Harvey Jr. graduated from the University of South Carolina magna cum laude last June. Not to be outdone, her husband now has graduated from the University law school with similar honors.

The blue bird of paradise performs his famous courtship dance upside down.

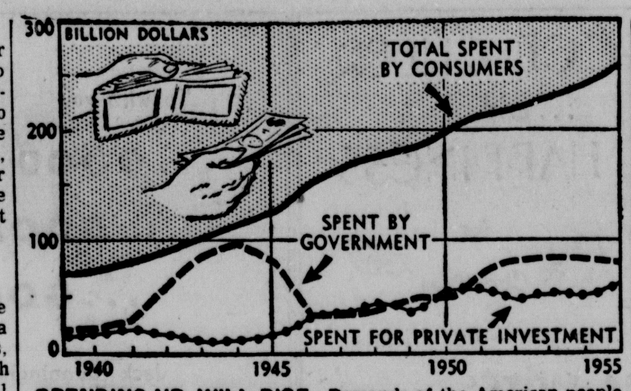
Free-Style Election

BROOKLAND, Ark. (AP)—Mayor Jewell Anderson decided to step out of the job, but the town fathers couldn't find anyone who wanted to succeed him. So the citizens voted on blank ballots, writing in the names of their candilates. Alex Smith got the job with 24 votes. His nearest competitor, G. C. Baker, got 2.

Firemen on Time

TAMPA, Fla. (AP)—In case you're wondering how long it takes a fireman to get out of bed, dress, slide down the pole and reach the fire truck, the time is 11 seconds. Bruce Roberts, Tampa Tribune photographer, filmed and timed the process in a Tampa firehouse.

The Suez canal is approximately 100 miles long and 500 feet wide. than 1000 miles of road.



SPENDING UP, WILL RISE—Demands of the American people for goods and services was at a record annual rate of 392 billion dollars in 1955, 9 per cent above 1954. Consumer spending rose to the highest level in history and investment by business expanded sharply. Government expenditures—federal, state and local—leveled off. A look ahead to 1956 sees continued strong consumer spending, business investment rising further, federal government purchases about at 1955 level. State and local governments will spend increasing amounts for schools, roads and other facilities.

When Santa Eats Lunch, Beard Goes Into a Bag

By WARD CANNEL
NEA Staff Correspondent

NEW YORK —(NEA)— Honestly What with Christmas Spirit and "Yes Virginia" and sugarplums and all, it was a shocking sight.

There was jolly old Santa Claus sitting in the employes' lunchroom stroking his kindly old beard. And then, without so much as a donder or blitzen, he wrapped it in tissue paper, put it in a box, and began to eat a peanut butter sandwich.

"I sure like peanut butter," he said very slowly, "even if it sticks to the roof of my mouth."

He was not Santa Claus at all. He was, instead, one of the hundreds of men in Santa suits and nylon beards who ring their bells between Thanksgiving and Christmas for the Volunteers of America. The money they collect in their little chimneys goes into a Christmas fund for the needy.

"But," he explained, "you can't keep the beard on when you eat. You might get it dirty."

He turned out to be 38 years old. And he had been, at various times, a lumberjack, an oilrigger, a short-order cook, a merchant seaman. But for the past several years he had been drifting back to play the part of Santa Claus.

VOA National Executive Secretary Col. John F. McMahon explained why:

"The Santa Claus job, besides filling a need in communities, gives these men a chance to be somebody—at least at Christmas."

Most of the Santas, he said, were men who had been in the VOA program for years, trying to get away from a string of bad luck or poor job orientation.

"You ought to hear them in the dressing rooms before they go out," he said. "They talk like Mr. Claus himself."

MacMahon generally trains the Santa squad himself. Schooling takes about 14 days and covers the do's and don'ts of being a good sidewalk St. Nick.

For example: be courteous, attentive, inconspicuous, well-groomed, patient—clean of breath and trim of whisker.

On the other hand: "Do not promise children that what they ask for will be delivered—but send them away hopeful and happy."

Take the case of a 23-year-old boy who rushed up to a Santa and said: I want a sports car," Said Santa — once a steelmill hand, you hang up your stocking, sonny, and if I can get the car into it, you'll get it."

Underneath his red suit, the VOA Santa wears a mackinaw. In very cold weather, he stands on a portable grate to keep his feet off he cement. His work day begins when the stores open and finishes when they close. A relief man—in civilian clothes —takes over for three periods during the day. And an official car collects the day's earnings each evening. In return, Santa makes $7.50 per day.

The money, pouring directly into the Christmas fund, goes to pay for food orders for needy families, meals or unattached persons, and clothing and toys.

Col. McMahon, who also directs the Volunteers' activities — from

Men's Service and mission to workshop and girls' residence—usually takes a yearly trick at being a sidewalk Santa.

This year, however, with a 60th Anniversary scheduled for the VOA, he has not had time. But he remembers vividly:

"It was an experience. If you say 'Merry Christmas' to the average person, he's so amazed he stops to think before he replies, 'Merry Christmas, Santa.'

"And the kids are getting more and more sophisticated. If they're over three, they don't believe in Santa Claus. But if they're single women, they believe, beause they all ask for a husband."

Combat Photographer

Matthew Brady was the famed Civil war photographer whose pioneering coverage of the battlefronts made him the first U.S. combat photographer and photo historian.

STAMP FOR BEN — This stamp will be issued Jan. 17 to mark the 250th birthday of Benjamin Franklin. Going on sale in Philadelphia, Pa., the stamp features a reproduction of a painting entitled, "Franklin Taking Electricity From the Sky," by Benjamin West.

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Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year

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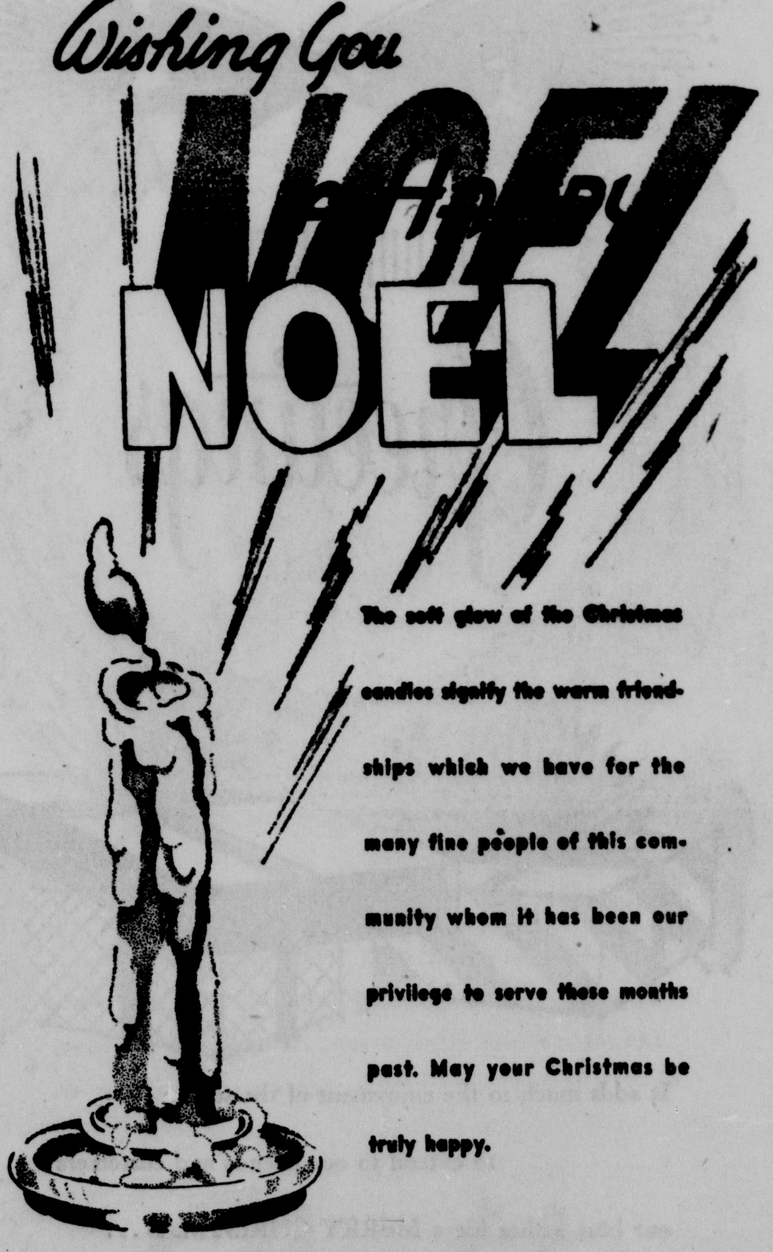

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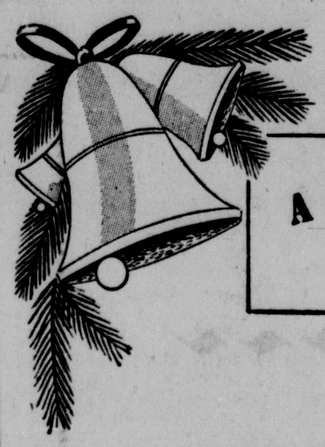

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This time of year, as we count our blessings, we always recall our many faithful friends. To those of you whom we were honored to serve, and helped us achieve such a successful year -- we say, with pride and gratitude

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

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Loads of jolly wishes for the best Christmas ever, to our friends and customers from our entire staff.

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Hello!

Like Santa — we enjoy making this Christmas brighter with thanks, and good wishes to our many friends!

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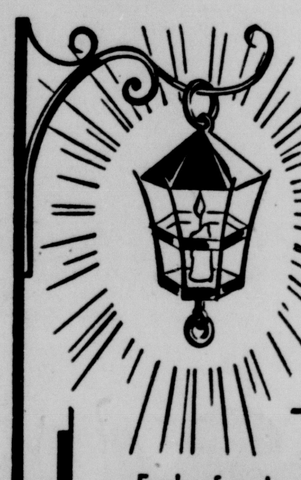

Each of us here send to each of our many loyal customers the warmest wishes of the Yule Season . . . "Serving you has been a real pleasure."

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Everybody in this firm, wishes each and every one a Wonderfully Merry Christmas!

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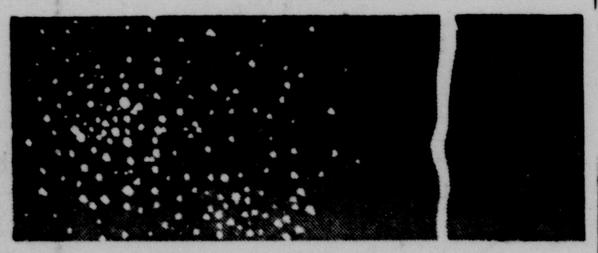

Silent Night

And in keeping with the Christmas spirit we extend our wishes to one and all — for the best of everything!

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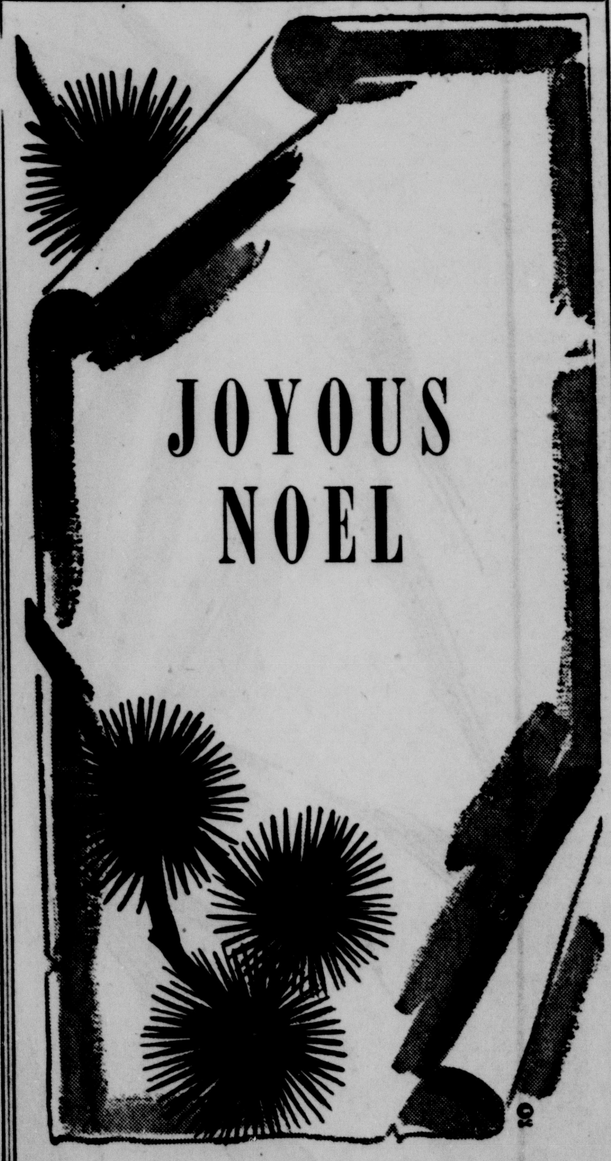

We take pleasure in extending our sincere thanks and good wishes to you, our many friends and loyal customers, in the hope your Christmas will be the Merriest ever!

L & G ELECTRIC CO.
Earl and Betty Lashley and Employees
119 East Third Street

Away in a Manger...

At this Christmas season, may you know again the true joy that began for the world in that blessed manger of long ago. To your joy-filled home we send our best wishes that you, our friends and patrons, enjoy all the Yuletide riches of happiness, good will, and fellowship. Merry Christmas!

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